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OR,

THE DAUGHTER OF MIDNIGHT.

A TALE OF MYSTERIES OF CITY LIFE.

CHAPTER XVI.

WORKING IN THE DARK.

WHAT was this mystery which everybody seemed to be so anxious to unravel? Would anybody ever unravel it? What had been the result of old Solomon's midnight journey? He had read the contents of the mysterious letter, and had, perhaps, gone in search of its fair writer. If he had, had he found her? If he had found her, what then?

Who was she? What was the object of her strange nocturnal visits? For what purpose did she pay the old Jew three sums of money? If to bribe him to keep silence—silence about what?

But to arrive at a solution of these knotty points by the same route which the boy Sampson was bent upon pursuing would, in all probability, try the reader's patience beyond all power of endurance. It was truly a tangled skein, which we would unravel. The question is, are there more ends than one? Yes. Then, shall we begin at another end, and leave him, for the present, at work with his? While he hunts for the letter, let us seek the lady herself.

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Sir John Clavering was old enough to be his wife's grandfather. He had a son married to a lady older than his own wife. He was a baronet, and had been a banker. He had always been most zealous in his business pursuits; and, when he retired from the bank, at the age of sixty-seven, the junior partner predicted that his time had almost come, and that in a year, at most, they (he and the other partner, that is) would have the melancholy duty imposed upon them of following him to the family vault of the Claverings, in Richmond Churchyard.

But three years after the date which had been fixed for the worthy baronet's demise, that gentleman, instead, took to himself another wife. This spirited old party, when he thus married for the second time, was seventy-one years of age. His wife was eighteen. She was a very beautiful young lady, and her family was very highly connected. At least, it was so said; but she had no other relations than an aged mother alive. The Baronet had met the mother and daughter at Brighton. They were living in a very expensive boarding-house, and its proprietor eagerly vouched for their high respectability. But if the love-sick old gentleman, however, made few inquiries, you may be sure that his relations laboured industriously to hunt up some dark page in the family history of the Mount Mavours. Alas! however, for their wasted energies—energies, perhaps, worthy of a better cause—they found out nothing. No; nothing. It was provoking, it must be allowed, and none the less so, because the same industrious busy-bodies, for the purpose of discovering something unpleasant respecting the antecedents of the wife of Sir John's son, and had failed quite as disastrously, nothing could be found out against either of the ladies, wonderful to relate. But, at the same time, it must be observed that nothing good was discovered either. In fact, nothing at all. Sir John's wife had only an aged mother alive, and the aged mother held her tongue and said nothing. Mr. Hugh Clavering's wife was an orphan, and had lived all her life abroad, and it was not exactly known how or with whom.

Now, the best families about Richmond are quite as exclusive as the best families anywhere else, and they did not quite like to mix with nobody knows who; and, until they were quite positive sure that Lady Clavering was really somebody, they did not feel inclined to give her a very kind welcome. But, although you may allow that it was quite natural that the country families should make inquiries, you must allow that it was rather odd that one of the most incredulous respecting the antecedents of Mr. Hugh Clavering's wife was the wife of Sir John. You may judge from this that there was very little love lost between the two young wives. They hated each other. They were both young and beautiful. They hated each other with a woman's hate: the hate of a young and beautiful woman, jealous of one equally fair. Such hate is deadly! And curiosity, prompted by such hate, is very prying and persevering; and we shall see. Her ladyship employed a shrewd agent to make discoveries for her. No other than her lady's-maid—a town-bred lady's-maid, who had traveled—a discreet creature, with eyes in her head, and a tongue which never wagged thoughtlessly. My lady was on very intimate terms with her maid, and they often chatted together in quite a familiar fashion, as we shall see. They were so chatty upon the evening I wish you to make her ladyship's acquaintance, at Sir John Clavering's villa, at Richmond, on the Thames. Lady Clavering sat at her toilet-table, and Miss Theresa, her ladyship's maid, was arranging her ladyship's hair.

It was six o'clock, and Lady Clavering was being dressed for dinner. Her ladyship looked rather pale. She was a fair-haired, slender girl, and never very rosy at any time. Her health was very delicate. She almost always had a headache, she said. She very often fainted when anything happened to annoy her.

"Heigho!" said her ladyship.

"Are you ill, my lady?" asked Theresa.

"Am I ever well?" asked her mistress impatiently.

"N-no, my lady; but——"

"But what?"

"I—I meant to say——"

"What do you mean to say?"

"I meant to say—I mean to say——"

"There, hold your tongue," said Lady Clavering impatiently; "and if you can't say what you mean, keep quiet."

"I was thinking that your ladyship looked a little paler than usual," the maid presently observed.

Her ladyship leaned forward and regarded herself steadily in the glass.

"I'm growing awfully ugly, Theresa," she said.

"Oh, no, my lady!"

"I am."

"Oh, no!"

"I'm positive of it."

Her ladyship knitted her brows and stamped her foot, and Theresa, who knew that these signs betokened one of her mistress' bursts of temper, deemed it wisest to be silent.

"I am!" her ladyship continued. "I am growing awfully ugly and frightfully old, and I don't care how soon I die!"

"Oh, my lady!"

"No, I don't—no more will any one else."

"I am sure I shall be very sorry, my lady, because you are the only friend I have in the world, and I don't know what I should do if I were to lose you."

"You'd do as others do, I suppose."

"What is that, my lady?"

"What is that?"

"I don't know, my lady."

"Oh, no!—of course not! But you're so innocent. You'd get another friend if I were dead, I suppose? That's what you would do."

"Oh, no, my lady!"

"Yes, you would!"

Her ladyship stamped her foot.

Theresa smiled faintly, and shook her head as though in mild expostulation, but was silent.

"You'd get married, perhaps."

"Get married, my lady?"

"Yes."

"That I shouldn't."

"That you wouldn't! What do you mean?"

"I have no intention of getting married, my lady."

"Why?"

"Because whom could a poor servant like me hope to marry?"

"Some one in your own class of life, I suppose—some worthy young man who has saved a little money—enough money to take a public house. That's your ambition, is it not, Theresa?"

But Theresa was still silent.

"Is not that your ambition, Theresa?"

"No, no, my lady!" replied the girl at last, with a slight frown.

"No?"

"No! I would rather die first!"

The girl's face flushed crimson as she spoke, and something like tear-drops welled up in her eyes. Lady Clavering could see her face in the glass, and she stole a stealthy glance at it, but yet continued in the same strain with an ingenuity of torture that was almost fiendish.

"Dear me!" she said. "I thought that would just have suited you. And if it had——"

"Ye-es, my lady?"

"There is Watkins, the butler—a worthy creature, and good looking if it wasn't for his nose——"

"The wretch!"

"And I think he's very fond of you."

"I hate him!"

"Dear me! How could I have been so mistaken?" and her ladyship smiled quite pleasantly. "But if you don't get married?" she said after a brief pause.

The girl made no answer.

"If you don't find a husband?"

"I shall not try to do so."

"What do you intend to do?"

"I will stay with your ladyship as long as your ladyship is good enough to keep me."

"And then?"

"Then——"

"Well?"

"Then I must look for another place."

"And so on till you die?"

"Yes."

"So on till you die?"

"That is my lot, my lady."

"It is a hard lot, Theresa."

"But I can look forward to it with fortitude, my lady."

"Can you?"

"Yes, my lady."

"How is that?"

"Because, my life through, I have looked forward to nothing better—I have worked for no other end. Ah, my lady! it is not every one who is as fortunate as you."

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Her ladyship hastily raised her eyes to the reflection of the girl's face in the glass before her. Was it only a shade thrown across her features by the Venetian blind, or was her ladyship paler than usual? Did her eyes for a moment glitter, snake-like, or was that only a fancy of her humbler companion? And the handmaiden herself? Was there half visible, for one moment, upon her ordinarily calm exterior, a something which might have been a look of defiance—of hate—of determination for revenge—for redress of years of wrong, and slight, and bitter insults, the memories of which she treasured in her heart and hid beneath that half pensive face, so meek and humble? For half a moment these two women glared at one another—for half a moment they exchanged rapier-thrusts. And then—then one was the fine lady of fashion—a spoiled child of fortune—a poor frail flower meaning no harm—very ailing and much to be pitied. The other a humble handmaiden who knew her place—who could take the kicks and halfpence doled out to her, and yet be thankful that the kicks were no harder and the halfpence no fewer. Her ladyship sat for a while silent and thoughtful. Then half turning round in her chair and speaking in a kind voice:

"Theresa," she said.

"Yes, my lady."

"Come here—come round where I can see you. There, sit down on that footstool."

The girl obeyed.

"I have been kind to you, haven't I?"

"Very kind, my lady."

"Always?"

"Always, my lady."

"And I have promised never to desert you?"

"You were so good as to say so."

"If you were faithful to me?"

"I hope I have been so, my lady."

"I hope so. If you are I shall not break my promise."

"Thank you, my lady."

"But if you play me false—but you won't do that when it is your own interest to have my good will, will you, Theresa?"

"I will never play you false, my lady."

"And you never have?"

"No—no, my lady."

"Who was that man you were talking to last night?"

"I—talking to?"

"Over the wall by the river side."

"The river side?"

"Yes."

"I was not there."

"You were."

"My lady, I assure you——"

"You lie, girl!"

Her mistress clutched her servant's wrist, and again the two women glared into each other's eyes. The mistress seemed as though she would read the most secret thoughts of her companion's inmost soul. But the girl returned the gaze fixedly—defiantly.

"Theresa," her ladyship said in a low but thrilling whisper, "I saw you."

"My lady, I assure you——"

"I saw you, I say, and I recognized you by the cloak you wore."

"By my cloak?"

"Yes."

"But I assure you, my lady, upon my word of honor——"

"What is the use of denying it when I tell you that I saw you."

"You saw my cloak, my lady."

"And I suppose it was you who wore it."

"No, my lady."

"No!"

"No, my lady. On my soul, I assure you I was not there."

"Theresa, if I could only believe you!"

"You may. I solemnly assure you, my lady, that I speak the truth."

Lady Clavering looked at her companion. For a few moments she never removed her eyes from the girl's face. Then she appeared to be satisfied of the other's good faith. Yes, she was speaking the truth. She was to be believed. And during a long pause which followed this conclusion upon her ladyship's part, the maid watched her mistress' face with an expression in which surprise and anxiety were strangely blended. At last, Lady Clavering spoke.

"It is most extraordinary," she said. "If what you say is true, it is most extraordinary."

"What I say is true, my lady—indeed it is."

"Who was it, then, in the garden?"

"I have no idea."

"Were any of the servants out? And yet——"

"And yet they none of them resemble you in height and figure?"

"I think not."

"By the way, where do you keep your cloak?"

"I always keep it in my bed-room."

"Where no one would be likely to take it?"

"I should think not, my lady."

"And you never leave it down stairs in the hall?"

"No, my lady."

"You did not do it last night?"

"No."

"No?"

"No."

"You are sure—quite sure?"

"Yes, I took it—— Oh!"

"What is the matter?"

"I left it hanging on the banisters."

"Yes?"

"On the first floor."

"Near her bed-room door?"

"Near Mrs. Clavering's door?"

"Yes."

"Yes, my lady."

"Then she it was."

"Mrs. Clavering?"

"Yes. I thought as much, but still I was not quite certain that it might not be you."

"Did you hear her speak, my lady?"

"No, I did not hear her voice—I was not near enough. It was so dark, too."

"You did not see the person she was speaking to, my lady?"

"No, I thought that I heard him speak though, because he was speaking rather loudly."

"But you did not recognise the voice?"

"No. It was a voice that was strange to me."

"An old man's voice?"

"I think it was."

"Then it must have been the old man I told you of."

"Who has been hanging about the neighborhood the last two or three days?"

"Yes, the old man who asked me who lived here?"

"He has been watching for an opportunity of speaking to her, as I supposed."

"Yes, my lady. You know he asked about her particularly."

"Yes."

"You didn't hear what he said, I suppose, my lady?"

"Yes, I did, though."

"And it was——"

"He said, 'At the same time to-morrow night,' and then——"

"And then?"

"Then I came up."

"And they heard you?"

"My approach alarmed them, and they hurried away."

"And he?"

"Slipped down from the wall, and made off as fast as he could."

"Did they recognise you, do you think, my lady?"

"No, I think not. In fact, I am sure they did not. They did not see me."

"And they did not think that you overheard these words?"

"No."

"In that case, my lady, I think we might hit upon a plan."

"Yes?"

"By which we could discover something."

"What is it?"

"If I go down to the garden to-night at the same hour——"

"Well?"

"Do you recollect what time it was, my lady?"

"Yes. It was half-past eight, as near as possible."

"And it was at the wall?"

"Near the summer house."

"The very thing, then. If I hide behind the summer house, I may hear——"

"At least, I shall see who it is."

"You shall do so. To-night I will watch her closely in doors, when she is getting ready to come out I will do something to delay her. I can see, then, whether or not she is anxious to keep her appointment."

"But you will let her come?"

"Oh, yes! I will not prevent her."

"And I will be there upon the watch."

"Whatever you do, be sure you are not discovered."

"Do not fear for me, my lady; I will be cautious."

Her ladyship's toilet was by this time complete.

She now rose to her feet to take a last glance at herself before quitting her apartment. She was very beautiful, although she was so pale. No one, with truth, could have denied that she was beautiful; and yet there was something sinister in the hard, fixed smile of her thin lips and the cold glitter of her blue eyes. It would not have been well to make such a woman one's enemy. She descended the stairs, leaving her handmaiden with one last word of caution.

"You will not forget?"

"No, my lady."

"Half-past eight."

"Yes, my lady."

"Be cautious."

"Yes, my lady."

Then she descended the stairs, and went, with the same hard smile and cold, glittering eyes, to welcome her guests. The young woman, Theresa—a very quiet, undemonstrative, self-contained woman—looked after her mistress' retreating form; and if such an act were possible from a lady's maid brought up in the best of families, I am half inclined to believe that she shook her fist behind her ladyship's back—shook it vindictively, and at the same time ground her teeth.

"I hate them both!" hissed the pale-faced handmaiden.

She was as pale-faced as her mistress, and something like her, only much less handsome. She had the same thin lips and hard smile when she did smile, which was very seldom. She looked after her mistress' retreating form upon this occasion with anything but a smiling countenance; and—yes, she shook her fist.

"I hate them both!" she muttered between her set teeth; "I hate them both! but I hate the other one most, and I will help to work her ruin first; and then—"

She scowled malignantly as she turned upon her heel and walked away with a stealthy, noiseless step—almost as noiseless as a cat's. It would have been hard work to hide a secret from such a woman—hard work, indeed, when she already held the cue. And whose secret was it she would discover? The same secret that the boy and Solomon were groping after in the dark.

Yes, in the dark as yet, for none of them had found the key to the mystery, though one fancied that he did. All in the dark. The secret was yet a dead secret to them all—a dead secret—a mystery yet to unravel.

CHAPTER XVII.

AN ANGEL UPON EARTH.

An angel upon earth, nothing less. The poor people in the neighborhood called Mr. Hugh Clavering's wife an angel upon earth. The aristocratic families round about might hesitate about making her acquaintance; but the poor and ailing, the sick and needy, had made her acquaintance long ago. She visited the poor, not in a flaunting, ostentatious fashion, so that her visit was to be dreaded more than desired. She had a kindly smile and a charming way with her, which, at almost the first word, established confidence. She never called upon any one, either, without bringing some little present, or left a poor man's cottage without a blessing.

Then, again, there was one great secret respecting her success amongst her neighbors. And this was——what do you think? Now, this is a confidential communication, though. She gave no tracts. The poor neighbors had had in their time a good many visits from other good ladies in the neighborhood, and they had been perhaps a trifle overdone with tracts. They had a tract left with them when they stood badly in need of a pennyworth of bread. They had, some of them, tried to read a tract with the accompaniment of a rumbling stomach, and had found the task a difficult one to perform. Mrs. Hugh Clavering belonged to the same religion as these ladies who were so very free with these tiny sheets at fourpence a dozen for distribution. She attended the same church, and yet somehow the consolation she offered was of a much more consoling character. She used to leave basins of strong soup behind her instead of a number of "Sunday at Home" or "The British Workman," and the poor people liked the change. She gave such queer presents, too, sometimes. The Reverend Mr. Lillywhite, the rector of Saint Backbitus the Bony, was quite scandalized at her strange conduct, and the report of it kept the best families farther away than ever.

So very strange it was. So very odd. Why, there was one particularly noticable case of a particularly objectionable person—an infidel cabman, with one eye—who smoked incessantly, and swore awfully, and whom no amount of persuasion could induce to attend divine service at Saint Backbitus, on a Sunday.

This person falling sick, and continuing to swear awfully, and refusing to mend his ways, had been, very properly, left to himself by the vestry ladies, who had made up their minds that all that could be done for him had been done, and he must be left to his fate. What did this eccentric Mrs. Clavering do, do you suppose? She went to see him, as true as I sit here writing these lines. She went to see him, and took him half-a-pound of the best shag tobacco (Roberts'), and said she hoped he would soon be well again.

There was another ne'er-do-well—a deep-dyed skittle player, and a regular frequenter of Thing-em-bob's Head; and this profligate she made a pet of, if you please, and married him to a young girl in the neighborhood, who had been well brought up, and ought to have known better.

And it was currently reported in the neighborhood that this most eccentric lady wrote the skittle-player's love letters for him, and suggested what he should say when he proposed! Among those who loved her, too, it was also reported how she had weaned the man from drink, and lured him from the tap room; and how she had made him steady, and honest, and industrious. And, though it was not reported, it is nevertheless true, that the man's happy young wife called upon God to bless her kind benefactress, and never laid her head at night upon her pillow without having first mentioned the name of Mary Clavering in her prayers. Were there many who loved her? Ay, their name was legion! There was not one among those poor, pale-faced denizens of black courts and alleys where she went to visit, who did not love her dearly. Not one among the sick and ailing to whom her bright smile was not heaven-sent sunshine—whose voice was angels' music. Not one among these poor afflicted ones who did not love her handsome face, and worship the ground she walked upon. And Hugh Clavering, her husband. Did he love her? Most assuredly he loved her; as far as it lay in his nature to love any woman. And his passion must have been a strong one to have caused him to marry her. He, to whom the opinion of the world was everything. He who valued his own good name and the family credit above all else in the world. He knew nothing of her. He had met her abroad. She was an orphan, and poor. She was a widow. A very young widow, who had been left badly provided for by her husband. Rather a bad husband, perhaps, for she never, by any chance, alluded to him; and when Lady Clavering tried to get her to talk of him, she always appeared to be very anxious to change the subject.

Perhaps her late husband's connections had been unkind to her, for she never by any chance, alluded to them, and appeared to be very anxious to avoid that subject also. He was one of the severest of severe gentlemen, this Hugh Clavering, who very rarely smiled, and never laughed. He always wore a high black stock, and high shirt collars, and his hair was so smoothly brushed and arranged with such mathematical nicety, that it was generally suspected of being a wig. He was a great authority upon parish matters in his neighborhood, and more respect was paid to him than to Sir John by the tradesmen of the neighborhood. To such a man, it is easy to imagine what aggravation must have been caused by the slights which the gentry of the neighborhood put upon his wife. He lived in a constant fever of anxiety, for fear she should commit some act to outrage decorum. Not that her conduct was not perfectly in accordance with the rules of polite society when at table or in the drawing-room, but it was those little acts of impulsive generosity among the poor people, of which I have spoken, which were so cruelly misconstrued. Did she love him? It would seem so; for she watched his every look, listened to his every word, devoted herself to his interests, morning to night. Patiently would she sit and listen to his wearisome prate, when, of an evening, he and some kindred spirit settled the affairs of the nation over the tea table. She read up blue books to him, and waded through dreary volumes of complicated statistics, of which it was his pleasure that she should give him some details, when he was preparing some statement for the "House."

Mr. Hugh was a member of parliament, and stood for a Yorkshire borough, where his estate was situated. He was at present on a visit to his father, while parliament was sitting; and as he was very busy, and had, according to his own account, all the affairs of the nation resting on his shoulders, he was very frequently obliged to absent himself for a day and a night, or sometimes for two nights running, from the family circle. At such times did his wife mourn his absence? There was every reason to believe so. She maintained every outward appearance of being inconsolable. She very frequently looked at her watch. She very frequently walked to the window, to look out over the lawn towards the garden gates, beyond which was obtainable a glimpse of the road beyond, up which he was to come if he came at all. Often she started from her seat at the sound of wheels, and a ring at the hall bell would sometimes cause the color to mount up into her face. On these occasions Lady Clavering watched her narrowly.

Afterwards, in her boudoir, my lady would consult the opinion of her maid Theresa upon the subject, and asked her if she thought it *natural*.

"Natural, my lady?"

"Don't you thing it is a little put on?"

"He, he!" laughed the confidante. "To be sure, my lady. Perhaps so. But then some people are very loving."

"She is acting a part, I tell you!" Lady Clavering would exclaim. "She is acting a part. She is trying to deceive us all, but for what purpose—that it is my business to discover."

If it had been a profession she had been brought up to, if she had been educated from infancy as a detective officer, her ladyship could not well have applied herself to her self-chosen vocation with more ardor, or acquitted herself with more consummate artfulness and tact. Who can say what motive prompted her thus to hunt down a helpless woman, and secretly to plot and plan her ruin and destruction? What had caused the deep and settled hatred which existed between these two women? Was it that each feared the other? That both knew too much of one another's secrets, and longed to get the upper hand?

When my lady came down into the drawing room upon this particular night, when she fancied that she had got a clue to a something which would eventually place her foe in her power, her pale face was more than usually animated, and a smile of gratified malice glittered in her hard gray eyes.

"Oh, my dear Mary," she simpered, as she took a seat at a short distance from her companion—"oh, my dear Mary, whatever have you done with yourself all day? I have missed you dreadfully!"

"Have you, Lady Clavering?" She answered somewhat coldly.

CHAPTER XVIII.

UPON THE VERGE OF DISCOVERY.

It was by no means Lady Clavering's usual custom to adopt so affectionate a strain towards Mrs. Hugh, except upon occasions when she felt more than usually spiteful. Was she spiteful now? Did she mean mischief? Mrs. Hugh glanced towards her enemy cautiously. Her ladyship's eyes were fixed upon her. From the expression of those eyes it was impossible to doubt that mischief was intended—that a cruel stab was about to be inflicted. How?

"You have so much to occupy you, my dear," said Lady Clavering. "How I envy you!"

"Why don't you do the same?" asked old Sir John, looking up from his book.

"Ah, dear!" replied Lady Clavering, with a slight frown hidden in her face; "I have not dear Mary's energy."

Here there was a slight pause.

"How are your old washerwomen to-day?" asked Lady Clavering, presently. "How charming it is to see one so considerate to those beneath them. I never could make out how you are so at home with these low creatures, my dear. I do dislike common people so! But you—you seem to understand them, and they seem quite to understand you. I can't—"

"You can't understand me, my lady?" said the other in a low voice, and looking her ladyship straight in the face.

"No," Lady Clavering replied. "I can't, as yet."

Their eyes met as they spoke, and those of Hugh's wife sank to the ground, while a faint crimson tint suffused her cheek. Lady Clavering smiled.

At this moment, however, when she seemed to be upon the point of making some other remark, a ring at the hall door caused her to pause and listen. Mr. Hugh Clavering was away that evening, but was expected hourly to return. Mary raised her head also, and listened attentively.

A moment's silence, however, sufficed to inform her that it was not her husband who had arrived. It was the postman; and the butler entered the room directly after to announce that dinner was served, and to bring in a letter.

"For me?" asked Lady Clavering, holding out her hand.

"No, my lady, for Mrs. Clavering."

He handed the letter, as he spoke, to Mary.

"For me," she said, as she took it in her hand. "From Hugh."

But the first glance at the superscription proved this not to be the case. It was a vile scrawl, horribly spelt. She looked at it in wonder for a minute, and then turning the envelope over, tore the seal. There were several guests present, and they had risen with Sir John, and prepared to leave the drawing room. One gentleman had given Lady Clavering his arm. Another advanced towards Mary. But as he reached her side he uttered a loud exclamation.

"Sir John!—Mrs. Clavering!—you are unwell. She has fainted."

Yes, she must have fainted. She was deadly pale. She lay back motionless upon the sofa. The letter she had been reading lay between her fingers. There was a general cry, and a movement towards the spot. Lady Clavering was one of the first to reach her side.

"Poor thing! How strange! Mary, are you ill? What has happened? Is it anything in that letter?"

She stretched forth her lithe, slim fingers as she spoke, and would have grasped the precious document. But the other's fingers, as it seemed, instinctively closed upon it. Tightened, and crushed it to their grasp.

"I am better now," said Mary, opening her eyes with a faint sigh. "The room was hot. It is nothing. I am much better."

"It was that letter," muttered Lady Clavering. "I will see what is inside that letter, if I die for it!"

Mrs. Hugh slowly recovered.

"Do you think that you are well enough to come to dinner?" Lady Clavering asked, in a tone of the deepest sympathy.

Though, while she spoke, her eyes greedily followed the mysterious letter which Mary held crumpled up in her white hands.

"Yes," Hugh's wife replied, after a brief silence "yes, I think so."

"If you could possibly do so, I think——"

"What do you say?"

"It would be better, you know, for any one might think——"

"Might think?" repeated Mary, for Lady Clavering paused.

"That it was something in your letter which had caused you to faint."

"And then——"

"And then people are so very curious, and come to such very unkind conclusions."

"I do not see how they can come to any unkind conclusions respecting the contents of my letter, or the cause of my illness. Supposing it was the letter——"

"Oh, it was!"

"I did not say so."

"But I guess it. I hope nothing has happened, my dear, which will vex poor Hugh."

"Nothing that will vex him."

"But which yet vexes you."

"I—I really——"

"Oh, my dear Mary, pray excuse me; I would not for a moment venture to intrude upon your confidence, much more pry into your secrets."

"Who says there is any secret in the matter?" asked the other, with a flush of indignation mantling on her cheek. "Who says——"

"Nobody says, my dear Mary. How excited you are!"

"I cannot deny——"

"Deny nothing, my love, and acknowledge nothing. Nobody accuses you."

"Accuses me! Lady Clavering, I am at a loss."

"There, there, my dear," said her ladyship, with one of her sweetest smiles, "we will not prolong this conversation, which seems so painful to you."

And as she spoke, the tormentor rose to her feet and glided out of the room, whilst Mary presently followed, looking very pale, but tolerably calm.

"I hope you are better, my dear?" said Sir John, kindly, as she took her seat.

"Oh, yes," she said, "I am much better. I have not been well all day, and——"

"And receiving some unpleasant tidings very suddenly——" put in her ladyship.

"Bless me!" said Sir John.

He was none of the wisest, and could not see that the matter had much better be allowed to drop.

"Bless me!" said Sir John; "nothing very unpleasant, I trust?"

Mary turned paler even than before. Her eyes were bent upon the table before her, and the pallor of her cheeks, and the quivering of her ashy lips, seemed almost to betoken a return of her indisposition. She appeared to struggle with herself for a moment,

Then she mastered her emotion. Then she spoke. But the eyes of all present were directed towards her. The whole company seemed waiting for her reply.

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NEW YORK CLIPPER.

SATURDAY, MAY 27, 1865.

To Correspondents.

U. KNOW, Dundas, C. W.—*Base Ball.*—"1. In pitching a ball in base ball, is it fair for a man to deliver it in the same manner as a man bowling a round arm ball in cricket. 2. If a ball is caught on a fly is it necessary that the ball goes back into the pitcher's hand before a man can be out on the base?".....1. It is doubtful whether a ball delivered as in round arm bowling can be fairly considered as a pitched ball according to interpretation placed upon the word "pitched" by the National Association. One or two umpires have decided a bowled ball as not a fairly pitched ball. It is a very nice distinction. Until otherwise decided at the next convention we shall consider round arm delivery as out of place in base ball, and therefore decide that the delivery referred to is unfair. 2. It is not necessary that the ball should be held by the pitcher in the case in question. If a player leaves his base when a high ball is struck, and the ball be caught on the fly and passed to the baseman before the player can return and touch it, the latter is out.

CALVERT BASE BALL CLUB, Baltimore.—"There are two hands out; A goes to the bat and makes his third base, B follows, and makes his second, while C is at the bat, A is put out, making the third hand out, and consequently the side out. On the next innings, therefore, who is first at the bat, B or C?".....The following clause in rule 17 answers the question; it is as follows: He shall be considered the striker until he has made the first base. Players must strike in regular rotation, and after the first innings is played, the turn commences with the player who stands on the list next to the one who lost the third hand. Of course B is the first striker in the next innings, he "standing on the list next to the one who lost the third hand," viz., A.

G. R.—Thomas Greenhalgh arrived here in 1844 in company with Barlow, and shortly after a match was made for a ten mile race on the Beacon Course for a purse of $1000. Among those entered were Greenhalgh, Gildersleeve, Steeprock, Barlow, the North Star, Jackson and others. Greenhalgh was the winner. Not satisfied, Steeprock run Greenhalgh again for $500 a side, a 12 mile race, and Greenhalgh won in 68 minutes. He died in Canada in 1854.

M. H. W.—1. John Deery's run of 412 caroms is, we believe, the largest ever made in this country. In a match game, Deery's run of 315 is the best. 2. Kavanagh's largest run in a public match was 218, in a match with Goldthwait. 3. Edwin Booth will not play the coming season. 4. Tieman is not considered the most brilliant billiard player in the States. 5. Kavanagh's illness will not, we think, prevent him ever playing again.

AH! YOU! Baltimore.—1. If you should advertise them you would no doubt find a purchaser for them. 2. Lotta Crabtree. 3. The Stadt Theatre in this city will seat more people than any other theatre in London or this country. 4. Who is the best actor and actress is a matter of opinion altogether. 5. Addie Anderson used H. B. Gates' champion mare, Black Bess, while performing at the New Bowery.

SUBSCRIBER, Brooklyn.—1. Mrs. Mary Shaw is a sister of Mrs. Hoey, and was married to a Mr. Krollman, musician, but who is now dead. 2. We are not advised as to the lady's future movements, and cannot say whether she will appear at one of our theatres or not. 3. The lady is not at the Troy Opera House. 4. She has two sisters. 5. It is doubtful whether Mrs. Hoey will return to the stage or not.

J. C. R., Baltimore.—1. You can get Jerry Thomas' Receipt Book at Dick & Fitzgerald's, 22 Ann street. 2. Flora Temple, according to the most reliable accounts, was foaled in Oneida county, near Utica, N. Y., and was sold by her owner, Mr. Tracy, at four years old, for $13, to Mr. William H. Congdon, of Smyrna, Chenango county, N. Y.

P. E. C., Binghampton.—1. The best running time by a horse in one mile, was by Saunterer in England, 1:40⅝; by Mammona in America, 1:44¾. 2. The best running time by pedestrians, one mile in a match, was E. Mills' 4:20¾; against time, partly down hill, by Lang in 4:02.

ROGERS, Nashville.—The fastest one mile heat in America, with the proper weights, was run by Mammona at Lexington, Ky., May 9th, 1862, in 1:44¼. The fastest four mile heat by Lexington, April 14th, 1855, at New Orleans, in 7:23¾; the latter run four miles in a match against time in 7:19¾, at the same place.

G. W. D., Petersburg, Va.—"At cribbage, A plays a 10, B a 5, A a 5, B a five, A cries 'go,' when B plays another 5. To how many points is B entitled for his third and fourth five?".....Six for his third, and thirteen for his fourth, viz., twelve for double pair royal and one for "go."

WHITE HOUSE, Brooklyn.—If the party who made, or took up the trump, made five tricks by his lone hand, he is entitled to four points; if he secures three tricks only, then he can score but one point; his opponent can only take two points if he euchres the first player; he has no right to go alone.

J. C. F., Baltimore.—1. Mr. Edwin Forrest has not retired from the stage. 2. Charles Kemble was the son of John Philip Kemble. 3. Read the rambles of Mr. and Mrs. Greene in the CLIPPER every week. 4. The biographies of Wm. Macready and Maggie Mitchell have appeared in the CLIPPER, but the portraits have not.

A. B. C., Philadelphia.—George Wright, a brother of Harry's, is conceded to be as good an American bowler as any, and by some considered the best in this section. Philadelphia ought to have some good American bowlers, of whose merits residents there are best able to judge.

CAIRO.—Dan Rice, the original, is still living, and has a menagerie out West. One of the parties has doubtless got Daddy Rice (Jim Crow) mixed up with the clown man. Daddy Rice died a few years ago.

BANJOIST.—1. Somers, No. 129 Third Avenue, can furnish you with the shoes. See his advertisement in this week's CLIPPER. 2. It is necessary for a balladist to read music. 3. We know of no amateur minstrel company in this city.

ARMAND, Albany.—1. The lady is not married. 2. It is her real name. 3. The reports about the lady's disloyalty *was in every respect* true. Her feelings were with the South. 3. Has been on the stage since childhood.

EUCHRE.—"A and B sit down to play euchre. A says I will play you for $5 a game. Is it understood that the stake is $5 or $10."".....We should understand it as meaning five dollars a side, or a total of ten dollars a game.

LINCOLN, Philadelphia.—The partner of B had no say in the matter at the time, and should have remained quiet until the players preceding him had decided. Under the circumstances, A is entitled to the side bet.

NAT. ORMSBY.—1. The Central America was lost Sept 12th, 1857. 2. Mickey Free is still living. 3. Miss Adah Isaacs Menken will probably return here in June. 4. Mr. Shillhber is the original Mrs. Partington.

BEGINNER.—1. It is generally understood that the distance is 4½ miles, but we do not know that it has ever been accurately measured. 2. Hamill's best time in a five mile race was 37 min. 58 secs.

A. W. W., Fort Independence.—1. He never used such an expression in his fight with King. 2. For price of pneumatic boxing gloves see advertisement in this week's CLIPPER.

UNWARY, Pittsburgh.—We know no more about the parties referred to than we know about you. Keep your money, and then you will be on the safe side.

D. DUFFY, Buffalo.—Write to Tom Swift, and you will save much time; if the match should be made, we shall be happy to hear from you.

READER, Lockport.—We cannot inform you where you can get a full grown badger. Perhaps some of our readers can supply the information.

MINNIE.—1. The lady was born in Westphalia, Germany. 2. Made her *debut* in this country at the Academy in this city, May, 1855, in "Il Trovatore." 3. Lucille is married.

SECRETARY OF CANAJOHARIE BASE BALL CLUB.—Address Heinrichs & Co., N. E. corner of Liberty street and Broadway, N. Y.

AMATEUR, West Troy.—The lady is not married, nor is she considered either a first or second class actress. Was born in France in 1844. Has been on the stage since 1861.

J. J. S., Millbury.—If you are a *good* balladist, you will not find much difficulty in getting a chance with a minstrel troupe. Apply to some of our minstrel managers.

56TH MASS.—The point should be settled before commencing the game; our opinion is, however, that no player can go alone where a partner assists.

J. B. F. Indianapolis.—Dick & Fitzgerald, 22 Ann street, publish a book on that subject; it will post you much better than we can.

H. M. A., Wilmington, Del.—Cannot give you the present whereabouts of Master Bobby.

K. H.—1. M. Ainsley Scott is in Charleston. See our dramatic summary. 2. W. S. Budworth is at present in this city, laying idle.

JIM, Andover, Mass.—We know of no one who has them for sale. Any shoemaker will make them to order for you, we apprehend.

J., Philadelphia.—You had better write to some of the Boston papers.

G. H. B., U. S. S. Quichita.—Some of our advertisers, or purchasing agencies, may be able to find the article for you.

INO.—You know the season is too far advanced to render your poetic effusion palatable.

S. J. W., Troy, N. Y.—Yours came to hand too late to be news. See last week's CLIPPER.

OLYMPIAN CRICKET CLUB, Philadelphia.—Address Higham Brothers, No. 46 Broadway, N. Y.

FIGARO.—"French Without a Master" may assist you, but you cannot get at the correct pronunciation by means of books alone.

INQUIRER, Boston.—As A went out in the hand played, there can be no new game between the "last two."

H. M., Baltimore.—We cannot inform you of the present whereabouts of Joseph Whittaker.

EDWARD, St. Louis.—Sallie St. Clair was at Buffalo last week. She is still playing with Charles Barras.

SOLINO.—Mary Florence is with her husband, Ed. Wray, playing in Richmond, Va.

F. N., Troy, N. Y.—Mr. D. W. Waller has retired from the stage, and is living on Long Island.

SAILOR, Bay City, Mich.—The fate of the little brig Vision is not known. She is supposed to have foundered at sea.

FRISCO.—Edwin F. Booth made his *debut* in San Francisco, July, 1852, at the Jenny Lind Theatre.

MOZELL, Indianapolis, Ind.—1. As they stand in this week's CLIPPER, $2 per week. 2. Missing order not yet to hand.

PATTERSON.—"Which is the more scientific game at cribbage, five or six card?".....Five card.

CRITIQUE, Pittsburgh.—Will examine at our leisure, and if admissible give them an early appearance.

M. R., Jersey City.—The fight between Kerrigan and Kelly was decided in favor of the former.

W. H. B., Paterson, N. J.—Members of minstrel companies have to furnish their own wardrobe.

C. HOWARD, Atchinson.—Money received. Gloves sent on the 20th by Butterfield's overland route.

CHARLEY LYNCH.—Yankee Sullivan's height was 5 feet 10¼ in.

S., Washington.—We had a report when yours reached us. Many thanks for your kind remembrance.

J. R.—Tim Hayes has danced at 44 within two years.

RETRIBUTION.—Respectfully declined.

A. L. T.—The lady has never been to Europe.

J. P. B., Seneca Falls.—Jack Randall never lost a prize fight.

A QUIET PRIZE FIGHT.

In another part of this paper we give a detailed report of a prize fight which took place on the 16th inst., between a couple of muscemen known as Dunn and Davis. What is remarkable about the affair is the fact that it was decided on the merits of the men, that no outside interference was permitted to influence it, and that there was an absence of that rowdy and thieving element which has controlled many prize fights within the past few years. It was certainly an orderly assemblage (as far as such an assemblage *can* be orderly) that witnessed this exhibition of muscularity and fistic strategy, and the decision at the close of the contest was received without those usual hostile demonstrations which render the office of referee anything but desirable. Some ill-natured persons have gone so far as to suggest that it only terminated quietly and without wrangle, because the Brooklyn party were the winners, but of course no attention is paid to such remarks, notwithstanding the Brooklyn gentlemen seldom lose. That they are well skilled in pugilistic diplomacy, no one can deny; that they can unravel a knotty point in pugilism with care, is also true, and that they can snatch a victory out of the magic circle when hope is almost gone, cannot be gainsaid. But this last set-to was on the square—it was fought out fairly, and the victor is entitled to all the praise.

Having now shown that these fistic affairs *can* be carried out quietly and honestly, we hope there will be no more of those rough matches which have brought the P. R. to such a low ebb in this country. If men *will* fight, better they should use the weapons with which nature has provided them, than resort to the murderous weapons of the assassin—the knife and pistol. There are thousands of prominent men who would attend our pugilistic displays, if they felt assured that order would be preserved, and themselves protected against thieves and such characters.

BILLIARD CONGRESS.—This body met on the 17th, to take some action on the failure of Kavanagh to appear on the 16th inst., in his match with Mr. Fox, the latter claiming forfeit very justly, we think, which the former refused to allow. The matter has been referred to the stakeholder, who will probably decide against the claim of the stranger. Certificates from physicians are very convenient for indisposed opera singers, and may be equally useful hereafter in the Championship billiard matches; but the public have always looked upon such excuses to fulfil an engagement with distrust, for such certificates can be purchased as cheaply and as plentifully as Confederate bonds. The man may have been ill; we don't say that he was not; but if illness is to serve as a sudden excuse for evading an obligation, we may naturally look for the putting in of such a plea in all sporting matches whenever a party to the contract may not feel like going on. Why, if a pugilist were to offer such an excuse on the day fixed for a set-to he would not only lose the match, but the confidence of his friends as well. When Morrissey and Heenan met in the ring in Canada, some years ago, the latter was so ill as scarcely to be able to leave his bed; his friends offered money to have the match postponed, but the proposition was rejected, and Heenan went to the Ring, met his antagonist, and for a short time made a great effort to win, but he was too sick to pull through, and finally suffered defeat. No physician's certificate availed him. Had he refused to appear—as the Billiard Champion has done—owing to illness, he would have forfeited the entire stake money as well as the office of Champion. We see no reason why the Billiard Champion should not be tarred with the same brush. If he is to be excused, no stranger can be induced hereafter to come to this city and play a match. If an excuse of this sort is to be held good in Billiard matches, it will hold equally good in other sporting events. Let justice be done, even though New York city be the loser by it.

WANTS US TO LET UP EASY.—In an editorial article in a late issue of the London *Times* on the collapse of the Southern rebellion, the following passage occurs:—

"Now that Lee has surrendered, Mobile has fallen, and General Johnston confessed himself exhausted, the Northern people can afford to be magnanimous, and we do not believe that they will sully their victory with deeds of cruelty."

It is not at all likely that our government will blow the captured rebels to pieces at the cannon's mouth, as the "magnanimous" Britishers did with the rebellious Sepoys a few years ago.

THE O'DALE FUND.—We acknowledge the receipt of $25 from Mr. James Robinson, of Lent's Equescurriculum; $5 from Johnny Mack, of Seth B. Howes European Circus; to be added to the fund for the blind circus rider, Mr. O'Dale. We are also informed that several circus companies are taking up a subscription for the worthy object. If all the companies now traveling would follow suit, this old member of the saw-dust profession would be made comfortable during the remainder of his earthly career.

THE MENKEN.—We have been presented with two excellent *cartes de visite* of Adah Isaacs Menken by D. C. Winans & Co., one as Mazeppa when recognised by Abder Khan as his son; the other in private dress as though in a contemplative mood. Both are excellent likenesses, and all the admirers of The Menken will be likely to secure copies.

RACING IN ROME.—They had a great racing carnival in Rome, recently. Miss Charlotte Cushman had a horse which took one prize, and another which came in second best in a second race. We are glad to find that Cushy takes an interest in sporting matters.

WHAT IT COSTS.—A barber in Savannah says he has used up more than $100,000 of rebel money for shaving paper. It such is the fact, what amount of it must Jeff. Davis have used up in shaving *his* customers.

OUR DRAMATIC PORTRAIT GALLERY.

JOHN EDWIN McDONOUGH.

THIS gentleman was born in Philadelphia Feb. 22, 1823. His father was a druggist. At seven years of age Mr. McDonough was apprenticed to the once-celebrated Dr. Dyott, of Philadelphia, then in the drug business. When Dr. Dyott made himself famous in the bank business, and was arrested by the creditors of the bank, young McDonough was one of the principal witnesses of the case, and for his aptness in coming forward and giving in his testimony, gained no little notoriety. It will be seen by this that he made his appearance before the public at a very early age. He remained with the doctor seven years. He then went to learn the morocco dressing business, and remained at it one year, when his inclinations took him to New York; and having a great desire to become an actor he made his *debut* in June, 1844, at the Bowery Amphitheatre, as Phillip, in the "Three Brothers." He remained in this city some time, and then returned to his native city, where he made his first appearance April 5, 1848, as Claude Melnotte in "The Lady of Lyons," and Wm. Tell in the play of that name, at the Arch Street Theatre. He continued on in his profession, playing at different theatres in and out of Philadelphia, making rapid progress in his profession, and becoming a favorite with his audiences. In 1852 he was a regular member of the Walnut-street Theatre Company in Philadelphia. In January, 1857, he sailed for California, and opened at the Metropolitan Theatre, San Francisco, February 2d, as Othello. He played engagements throughout the State, appearing in all the towns big enough to get together a good-sized audience for a show. He played in that country one hundred and twenty-four consecutive nights. On June 23d he opened the first theatre at Mokelumne Hill, Cal. He took his farewell benefit, August 4th, at the American Theatre, San Francisco, and the house was filled to repletion, the proceeds netting over $1200. Sailed for New York, 1857, after a brilliant career in the Golden State. He immediately commenced an engagement in Philadelphia, opening at the Walnut September 14th, as Damon. He was warmly welcomed back by a crowded house, and his engagement was a great success. In 1858 he retired for a while from the stage; on the 19th of January, 1859, leased a church in Race street, above Second, Philadelphia, and opened it as a first-class concert saloon. For a while he did an excellent business; but, like a great many other men not content with leaving well enough alone, he went to considerable expense in making extensive alterations, expending nearly all he had made, and reopened the establishment as a first-class theatre, which he called the Olympic. He had no sooner completed his arrangements, and got into good working order, than he found out the great mistake he had made. The location was not exactly suitable for a first-class theatre, and the consequence was the people would not patronise the place. In less than two years from the time he first took possession, he vacated in good order. It was then taken by other parties, but has paid no one. After a brief respite from business he started out on a starring tour, and has continued up to the present writing, appearing in all the principal cities East, West and Southwest. His principal attraction of late has been the spectacle of the "Seven Sisters," Mr. McDonough playing the eccentric *role* of Mrs. Pluto, in which he has gained great reputation. As an actor he is possessed of considerable native talent and experience. He has some good qualities and some faults. He has a good voice, but is somewhat deficient in mobility of countenance. His method is generally good, but he has a tendency to rant, which, although not so violent as in former years, is not yet sufficiently toned down. Next week Mr. McDonough commences an engagement at the Broadway Theatre, and will produce his spectacle of the "Seven Sisters."

PLEASING TESTIMONIAL TO AN OLD SPORTSMAN.—Augusta, Me., May 15th, 1865.—EDITOR NEW YORK CLIPPER:—Capt. Thos. F. Goodwin, 19th V. R. C., ex-foreman 35 Hose Co., ex-foreman 15 (Baxter) Hook and Ladder Co., formerly a member of the N. Y. Fire Zouaves, has been relieved from his command in this city (as commanding officer of Camp Coburn), and ordered to another post. On the morning of the 10th inst., as he was taking his departure from camp, he was presented with a magnificent silver goblet, lined with gold, by the officers and men under his charge, as a token of their esteem and affection. May success attend him in his new field of labor. THIRTY-SEVEN.

USE OF TOBACCO, in all its forms, cured and prevented by Dr. Byrns' Antidote. Sent free by mail for FIFTY CENTS, by Day & Son, 76 Church street, New Haven, Conn. D

BALL PLAY.

THE HOBOKEN CLUBS.

The Elysian Fields, Hoboken, is going to be "a gay old place" for ball play this season. The clubs practicing there have commenced play early this year, and the campaign promises to be one of the most active and exciting known for years past. The improvements in progress on the North Field will make that locality the most popular resort for ball players in the country, and when all the changes proposed have been made, it will be the finest free ground in the United States. The cost of these improvements is treble what was anticipated, and more time is required than was at first thought would be necessary. A feature of the changes introduced will be the erection of an amphitheatre of seats on the right of the catcher's position, which will be sheltered from the rays of the sun by the shade of the trees around it. President Wildey merits the thanks of the fraternity for his earnest efforts in introducing these necessary improvements. It is surprising what one energetic, active man can do to promote the interests of a club when he takes off his coat and goes into his work in right down earnest, as friend Wildey has done.

On Monday, the 15th inst., the Mutuals had a lively time on their grounds; there was a large crowd of spectators present, and a full muster of the playing strength of the club, including such first class men as McMahon, Harris, Ward, Bearman—a new acquisition to the club—Kelley, Hunt, Zeller, Pattison, and McCullough, who composed the nine in the game played, and Mott, McSweeny, Green, Slattery, and nine others whose names we cannot call to mind at present, who made up the field party. The nine gave the latter the odds of five outs in the game played, and yet with thirteen against them having the odds in question, at the close of the 7th innings the score stood 24 to 8 in favor of the nine. While this game was being played, two amateur games were in progress on the lower fields, the fine weather tempting a numerous crowd of players out to the Elysian Fields on Monday.

The same day the Knickerbockers had a lively little practice game on the South Ground, the muster of members being unusually numerous. There is some talk of this club playing match games this season. Now that the fly game is in vogue, they ought to come out of their long retirement from active participation in the games of the season.

On Tuesday the Gothams met in full force and had a very interesting practice game, the play on the occasion giving promise of a degree of excellence in their games this season that ought to lead to a number of well earned victories.

On Wednesday the Empires had a lively party on their field, the fine weather being an inducement for a numerous attendance of members.

On Thursday the threatening aspect of the weather deterred hundreds from crossing the ferry to play ball, and the rain on Friday put a stop to play on that day.

JUNIOR MATCHES.

ON the 19th inst. the Mohican and Montague Club of Brooklyn played a match, together, the latter winning by a score of 16 to 14 in a game of six innings. Low led the score on the winning side, and Godwin on the other. Brasher and Ludlam of the Montagues made good fly catches.

On the 20th inst. the Alert and Montague Clubs of Brooklyn had a trial of skill together on 5th Avenue, ending in the success of the Alerts by a score of 27 to 22 in a full game. Lippitt led the score on the Alert side, and Geer on the Montague side.

CAMDEN VS. KEYSTONE.

The Camden Club is entering upon the season's campaign in a very spirited manner. They have already played three matches, in all of which they have specially distinguished themselves by first-class play. They opened with a match with the Athletics, in which the second nines of the two clubs were the contestants, and they came very near a victory on the occasion. Their next game was with the first nine of the champion club of the State, and if they did not beat their opponents they scared them considerably in the early part of the game. Their third match was that played on the 18th of May, the noted Keystone Club being their adversaries. This match proved to be a very interesting encounter, and a display creditable to both clubs. The weather was not as favorable as it might have been, and consequently the attendance of spectators, though numerous, was far from being as large as on the occasion of the previous match on the Athletic grounds. In the first innings both parties drew blanks, both fielding well. In the second innings the Camdens began to score in style, followed closely by the Keystones, the latter being but one run behind. The third innings equalised matters, the score standing 5 to 5. In the next three innings the Camdens added 8 runs to their score, the Keystones obtaining but 5, and on the last three innings the latter scored 5 to the Camdens 4, thus lacking two runs of a tie game. In run getting, Mulliner, C Evans and Fisher took the lead on the Camden side; Cope, Wood and Cuthbert doing the same on the part of the Keystones. Malone—the latest acquisition made by the Keystones—marked his play with a home run, the ball being lost in the grass. His hit, however, entitled him to the 2d base. The Camdens excelled in the number of fly catches, and put out the most players on bases, but the Keystones had the advantage on outs from foul balls. Mr. Mulliner, of the Camden Club, deserves especial praise for two beautiful catches made in the left field, which it may be safely said won the game for the Camdens. Col. Fitzgerald acted as umpire, and discharged the duties of the onerous position with his usual impartiality, and to the satisfaction of both clubs. Below will be found the full score of the game, for which we are indebted to that efficient scorer, Mr. Benson, of the Atlantic Club.

BATTING.

CAMDEN.	H. L.	R.	KEYSTONE.	H. L.	R.
F. L. Knight, c	3	2	Dick, 3d b	4	1
Lambertson, 1st b	4	1	Frazier, r f	4	0
Fisler, 2d b	3	8	Mulholland, 1st b	2	1
C. Evans, p	3	2	Cope, p	3	4
Bergin, s s	2	2	Cuthbert, 2d b	3	3
G. H. Knight, r f	4	0	Malone, c	3	2
Mulliner, l f	2	3	Deal, c f	3	1
Smith, 3d b	3	2	Wood, l f	2	3
I. Evans, c f	4	1	Wallace, s s	3	0
Total	17		Total	15	

RUNS MADE IN EACH INNINGS.

	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	
Camden	0	5	0	2	6	0	0	4	0	0—17
Keystone	0	4	1	0	2	3	1	4	0	0—15

Passed balls—Knight, 6; Malone, 6.
Home run—Malone, 1.
Struck out—Cuthbert, 1.
Fly-catches made—F. L. Knight 2, Lambertson 1, Fisler 2, C. Evans 3, Bergin 1, Mulliner 2, Smith 1, I. Evans 1—total 13. Dick 1, Mulholland 1, Cuthbert 2, Malone 3, Wallace 1—total 8.
Catches missed—F. L. Knight 2, Smith 1, Fisler 1, Mulliner 1, C. Evans 1, Malone 2, Deal 1.
Put out on bases—Camden, 9 times; Keystone, 10 times.
Put out on foul balls—Camden, 14 times; Keystone, 7 times.
Time of game—Two hours and twenty-five minutes.
Umpire—Col. Fitzgerald, of the Athletic B. B. Club.
Scorers—Messrs. Fisher and Lynch.

OUR NATIONAL GAME IN PHILADELPHIA.

THE Athletics and Camdens met again on Saturday, May 20th, at Camden, and a very close and exciting contest was the result, the Athletics being short two of their nine (Smith and Hayhurst), and the Camdens having been strengthened by Stites and Lamberson, two admirable players. At the close of the game the score stood—Athletics 24, Camdens 19. Mr. Thomas B. Morris, of the Star Club, Brooklyn, acted as umpire, giving universal satisfaction. Over two thousand persons witnessed the game—an immense turn-out for Camden. We give the score:—

BATTING.

ATHLETIC.	H. L.	R.	CAMDEN.	H. L.	R.
Kleinfelder, c	4	3	F. L. Knight, c	4	2
McBride, p	3	3	Lambertson, 1st b	5	1
Berkenstock, 1st b	1	5	Fisler, 2d b	3	2
Reach, 2d b	2	3	T. C. Knight, 3d b	3	2
Leunjene, 3d b	5	0	Mulliner, l f	3	2
Wilkins, s s	2	4	Stites, s s	3	3
Potter, l f	3	2	Bergen, r f	2	3
Collom, c f	4	0	Smith, c f	3	2
Gaskill, r f	3	4	Evans, p	1	2
Total	24		Total	19	

RUNS MADE IN EACH INNINGS.

	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	
Athletic	4	4	1	1	0	5	0	9	0	0—24
Camden	0	0	7	3	3	0	0	2	4	4—19

Passed balls—Kleinfelder 2, Knight 10.
Struck out—Wilkins 1, Stites 1.
Catches missed—Potter 1, Kleinfelder 1, Gaskill 1, F. L. Knight 2, Lambertson 1, T. C. Knight 2, Stites 1, Bergen 1.
Fly-catches made—Kleinfelder 5, McBride 4, Berkenstock 1, Leunjene 1, Wilkins 2, Potter 1, Collom 2, Gaskill 1—total 17. F. L. Knight 4, Lambertson 1, Fisler 3, Mulliner 3, Stites 1, Smith 3—total 15.
Time of game—Two hours 45 minutes.
Put out on foul balls—Athletic, 6 times; Camden, 11 times.
Umpire—Mr. Morris, of the Star B. B. Club, Brooklyn.
Scorer—Messrs. Benson and Fisher.
Left on bases—Kleinfelder 2, McBride 2, Berkenstock 1, Reach 2, Leunjene 2, Wilkins 2, Potter 2, Collom 3, F. L. Knight 1, Mulliner 1, Bergen 1, Smith 1, Evans 2.

The Camden Club is now one of the most formidable base ball organizations in the country. They have built a very handsome brick club house, and have inclosed their ground with a strong picket fence. Within a week the Club forwarded to Mr. P. J. Cozans their initiation fee, and made application for membership of the National Association. This shows laudable enterprise. We know many of the members personally, and can speak of them as high-toned gentlemen. Visiting clubs will have to play their best when they encounter the Camdens, for they are really strong.

The Keystones, having materially strengthened their nine, will have a trial of skill with the Athletics in the course of a week. In August, the Keystones will visit New York for a week's play. A large delegation will accompany them. They will make the St. Nicholas their headquarters.

The Athletics have spent about $1200 in the building of their club house, and in the general preparation, fencing, etc., of their new ground. They expect at least a dozen clubs as visitors this season. The Resolutes will be with them on the 29th and 30th of June, and on the 1st of July. The Stars will follow on July 3d, 4th and 5th. Rain or shine, the Athletics will leave for Newark on Monday, the 12th of June. Weather permitting, they will play the Eurekas on the afternoon of the 12th, and start for New York the same evening. We hear that the Newark Club, of Newark, will visit Philadelphia in July. They will receive a cordial reception.

BASE BALL IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

A challenge was lately published through the Washington *Morning Chronicle*, by the officers and enlisted men of the 133d Regt. N. Y. Vols., to play any club in Washington a friendly game of base ball. It was immediately accepted by the National B. B. C., of said city, and was played at the camp of the 133d N. Y. Vols. on Wednesday, the 17th inst. The game commenced at 2½ P. M., with the Nationals first at the bat. The 133d N. Y. Vols. have been playing the old rules, and in this game they had to become acquainted with and play the new rules. This was a great disadvantage to them, particularly with Barto, the pitcher, who had hard work to toe the mark, but he filled his position admirably, and great praise is due him, as also Thos. Williams, Edward Williams, Worden, Parks, Doran, Lieut. Giehl, and Capt. Grear, particularly, in their efficient batting. They are all old residents of Williamsburg, and are known by most all ball players in that vicinity. Owing to the new rules, the soldiers lost considerable on the first three innings, but in the fourth innings they became determined, and closed up on their adversaries in good style. Here the game became interesting to all parties, each determined until the end. The National Club is the celebrated champion base ball club of Washington City, and are as fine a set of young men as ever played a game of ball. They came to the ground in fine style, and they met with a good reception. When they started away, they were satisfied that the soldiers were as good at playing ball as in chastising rebels. Great credit is due the umpire for his excellent judgment. This is the first game the 133d have ever lost since they have been in the service. Home runs were made by Edward Williams, of the 133d N. Y. Vols., and James, of the National. Below is the score:—

BATTING.

133d N. Y. V. NINE.	H. L.	R.	NATIONAL B. B. C.	H. L.	R.
Capt. J. H. Grear, l f	6	1	Parker, 2d b	2	4
Private G. Worden, 2d b	1	4	Gardner, c	0	5
Private D. Doran, s s	4	2	Williams, p	5	2
Private H. Parks, 3d b	3	3	James, l f	6	1
Capt. G. Wiseburn, c f	4	2	Gorman, 3d b	2	5
Sergt. E Williams, 1st b	2	4	Yeatman, r f	3	3
Lieut. G. Giehl, r f	2	4	Kenny, 1st b	3	4
Corp. T. Williams, c	3	3	Tappan, c f	2	5
Private R. F. Barto, p	2	4	Savage, s s	4	3
Total	27		Total	32	

RUNS MADE IN EACH INNINGS.

	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	
133d N. Y. V. Nine	1	1	0	9	4	4	2	0	6	6—27
National	3	5	2	6	6	0	3	5	2	2—32

BASE BALL AT TROY, N. Y.—The match game of ball played on the 4th inst., on the grounds back of the University, between the Liberty and Washington clubs, of that city, resulted in an easy victory for the former club by a score of 13 to 21. Some excellent batting and fielding was shown by both clubs. We append the score:—

BATTING.

WASHINGTON.	H. L.	R.	LIBERTY.	H. L.	R.
Miller, l f	2	3	Conners, c	4	1
Bradt, 3d b	5	1	Jennings, 1st b	3	3
Cornell, c	5	1	Moore, p	5	3
Chappeau, 2d b	4	1	Shortle, 3d b	1	2
Robinson, p	2	2	Lynch, c f	3	2
Massey, 1st b	2	2	Shannahan, 2d b	3	3
Hartley, r f	4	1	Downey, s s	2	3
Perkins, s s	3	2	Congdon, l f	2	3
			Fox, r f	3	1
Total	18		Total	21	

RUNS MADE IN EACH INNINGS.

	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	
Liberty	6	1	4	5	0	1	4	0	0	0—21
Washington	0	0	3	0	1	3	1	5	0	0—13

BASE BALL IN THE ARMY.—One of our bold soldier boys sends us the following in regard to base ball among the defenders of the Union in the region of Memphis:—"Away down here in 'Dixey' the boys have their sport, and thinking you would be pleased to hear from us, I write you these few lines. Since the opening of the season there have been three or four 'Base Ball Clubs' organized here, the leading one of which is the 'Washburn Base Ball Club,' so called in honor of the well beloved commanding-general of this department. I attended one of their meetings last week, and was quite delighted to see how well they played the game after an organization of but four week. I noticed several 'old New Yorkers' among the members, one of whom is the worthy president of the club, son of the well known costumer in the 'Bowery.' The club is officered as follows:—President, P. A. Phillips; Vice President, A. S. Milins; Secretary, L. Liebermon; Treasurer, M. J. Haymon. They are to play a match game with another club next week. Yours, 10 A. C."

"May 8th, 1865."

CRICKET.

THE LONG ISLAND CLUB.

Quite a numerous and gay party of cricketers were assembled on the Capitoline Ball Grounds on Tuesday, the 16th inst., the occasion being the opening day's play of the club for the season. Wickets were pitched at 11 A. M., and after an hour or two's preliminary practice, sides were chosen and a good game played. Among those who took part in the play were Smith, Pratt, Crane and Chapman, of the Atlantic club, who will be on the first eleven. Among others were E. Russell, H. Russell, J. Hollily, W. Hollily, A. Holily, Purdy, Thompson, Bedford, Labon, Mornton, Oliver, Giddings, Parker, Chadwick, &c., there being thirteen on a side in the game.

The Long Island club are to play the Satellites on the Union Ball Grounds on Monday next, 29th inst., and as there are Eckford and Star club members in the Satellite, and Atlantic and Excelsior players in the Long Island, the match will be an interesting one.

NEW YORK VS. MANHATTAN.

On Tuesday, May 16th, these clubs met together at Hoboken for the first time this season, the contesting elevens on the occasion being the second eleven of New York and the first eleven of Manhattan, the latter including Peerless and Geo. Wright, of the St. George Club, who are now members of the Manhattan Club. The weather was delightful, and the ground around the wickets in better condition than was expected, considering how neglected it has been this season. New York went to the bat first, the result of their first innings' play being 35, of which Miller obtained 12 very skilfully, and Tyler 8 in his usual style, these being the only average scores made. The Manhattan eleven then took the bat, and their display was no better than that of the New Yorkers, if as good, their score being but 36, of which Geo. Wright scored nearly half, viz: 16. The fielding on both sides was very good, that of the Manhattan being the best. The extras were but two on each side. The bowling of Miller and Suydam on the one side and Peerless and H. Tucker on the other was very effective, that of the two latter—supported as it was by good fielding—being especially damaging in the second innings, the New Yorkers being disposed of for the small score of 16, not an extra being scored. This left the Manhattans 16 to get to win, and this score they obtained with the loss of one wicket, Sebring and Walker carrying their bats out.

The meeting proved to be a very pleasant day's sport, and an interesting match as far as the first innings was concerned. At the close of the match a scrub game was played, the fun being kept up until dark. About midnight on the day of the match, three of the New York party might have been seen crossing the Fulton ferry *en route* for home, evidently full of the enjoyment in which they had participated. We append the score:—

MANHATTAN.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Sebring b Miller	4	not out	7
J. Tucker c Oakley b Beach	1	b Miller	2
Walker c and b Beach	2	not out	3
G. Wright b Miller	16		
Boyd run out	3		
Plumer c and b Miller	0		
Peerless

THE TURF.

Cincinnati Spring Racing Meeting, 1865.

To commence
ON TUESDAY, JUNE 20,
AND CONTINUE FOUR DAYS.
AMOUNT OF PURSES $3,700.
FIRST DAY, TUESDAY,

Spencer House Stake of $100 each, half forfeit, $300 added by the proprietor of the Spencer House; for colts and fillies now three years old. Mile Heats. Closed with the following entries.

1..R. Underwood enters ch f Colleen Bawn, by Endorser; dam Roxana, by Imp. Chesterfield.
2..John R. Warnock, s f Wild Duck, by Imp. Eclipse; dam by Yorkshire, out of the Clipper.
3..D. J. Crouse, b c Skipper, by Daniel the Prophet; dam, Mary, by Birmingham.
4..Henry Van Lieu, b c Henry of the West, by Lexington; dam by Leviathan.
5..Same, b c Henry Van Lieu, by Lexington, dam by imp. Glencoe.
6..A. J. Armstrong, b c Gus Loraine, by Nuncio; dam, Mary Buck, by Eclipse.
7..Same, g c Charley Armstrong, by Lexington; dam by Grey Eagle.
8..John M. Clay, b c Revolver, by Revenue; dam Balloon, by imp Yorkshire.
9..Same, b c by Star Davis; dam by Eclipse; the dam of Reporter.
10..R. A. Alexander, br c Ansel, by Lexington; dam by imp Yorkshire.
11..Same, s f Ear Ring, by Ringold; dam Emma Wright.
12..Same, br f by Revenue; dam Sally Morgan.
13..Same, b f Nelly Viley, by Bob Johnson; dam by Churchill.
14..Reber & Kuntz, ch f Lady Fashion, by imp Bonnie Scotland; dam, Young Fashion, by imp Monarch.
15..Frank Sherritt, ch c by imp Knight of St. George; dam, Liz Mardis, by imp Glencoe.
16..J. A. Grinstead, br c by Vandal; dam Variation by imp Ambassador.
17..Same, b f by Star Davis; dam Rescue [by Berthune, out of Lexington's dam.

SAME DAY.—Purse $400—Mile heats, for all ages.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY,

Purse $600—Two Mile heats, for all ages.

SAME DAY—Purse $250—One and-a-half mile dash; selling race. Horses entered to be sold for $1,000, to carry their proper weight; if entered to be sold for $750, allowed 7 lbs; if entered to be sold for $500, allowen 14 lbs; if entered to be sold for $250, allowed 21 lbs. ANY HORSE ENTERED AND NOT TO BE SOLD, TO CARRY 10 LBS. EXTRA, the winner to be sold by auction after the race. Any surplus to go to the manager. The owner to retain his horse should he not go over the price entered to be sold for.

THIRD DAY, THURSDAY,

Mill Creek House Stake; Purse $500—the gift of the owners o the Mill Creek House—mile heats, best 3 in 5.

SAME DAY—Sweepstake of $50 each, half forfeit; $150 added for colts and fillies now two years old. To name and close 1st April, 1865- Three to enter to fill; half mile.

FOURTH DAY, FRIDAY,

Burnett House Stake of $100 each; half forfeit; $500 added by the proprieter of the Burnett House. For colts and fillies now three years old. Two mile heats. Closed with the following entries:

1..R. Underwood enters ch f Colleen Bawn, by Endorser; dam, Roxana, by imp Chesterfield.
2..John R. Warnock, s f by imp Eclipse; dam by imp Yorkshire, out of the Clipper.
3..Harry Van Lieu, b c Harry of the West, by Lexington; dam by Leviathan.
4..Same, b c Harry Van Lieu, by Lexington; dam by imp Glencoe.
5..A. J. Armstrong, g c Charley Armstrong, by Lexington; dam by Grey Eagle.
6..Same, b c Gus Loraine, by Nuncio; dam Mary Buck by Eclipse.
7..John M. Clay, b c by Star Davis; dam Rally by Trustee.
8..Same, b c by Star Davis; dam by Eclipse; the dam of Reporter.
9..I. W. Pennock, b c Jockrisse, by Vandal; dam Maid of Monmouth by Traveler.
10..R. A. Alexander, b c Asterisk, by Ringold; dam, Nebula.
11..Same, b c Bay Dick, by Lexington; dam Alabama.
12..Same, br c Ansel, by Lexington; dam by Yorkshire.

SAME DAY—Purse $1000—Three mile heats for all ages.

The above races to be governed by the rules and regulations of the Lexington, Ky., Association. No deduction for a walk over. No postponement in regard to the weather. No gambling allowed on the track. Ladies admitted free to the stand, when accompanied by gentlemen.

All the entries for the above stakes to name and close with the Secretary, ABE CARROLL, Burnett House, Cincinnati, on or before the 1st of April, 1865. R. UNDERWOOD,
2-tf Manager.

Peppard & Co.'s Livery Stables, corner of Mercer street and Grand, is undergoing repairs, and will be ready in a few days to receive a few more boarding horses. Parties requiring first class carriages for Central Park or other purposes, are invited to call and see their stock, which is entirely new. 6-tf

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TROTTING ON THE UNION AND FASHION COURSES, L. I.

THE lovers of trotting have enjoyed, during the past week, an abundance of their favorite sport, there having been every day, a match or sweepstakes purse contested for on either one or the other of the above tracks. On Monday, the 15th inst., the Association purse of $100, with a sweepstake of $25 each, play or pay, mile heats, best three in five, in harness, came off on the Fashion Course. There were eleven entries, comprising the following well-known fast horses:—Hiram Woodruff's b g Shiptimber; J. D. McMannis's dun mare; R. Ogle's s g Gibo; A. Paterson's Holt bay stallion; W. Borse's b m Grace; Mr. Browning's g g Honest Major; D. Pfifer's b m Zenobia; T. Cregan's g g (still without a name); J. Lovell's Kentucky Maid; Dan Mace's g g Billy; and Mr. Parker's g g James Watson. Eight out of those eleven were absentees, the three starters being Honest Major, Grace, and Cregan's gray gelding. The relative estimation in which those horses were held may be judged from the prices they brought in the pools, sold by Jake Somerindyke on the track, before the start for the first heat; the gray sold for $150; Grace, $110; and Honest Major, $13. Grace and the gray had trotted together several times previously this season, their last contest, of which a full account appeared in our last issue, having been a most unprecedented one, not fewer than seven heats, three of which were dead heats, having been trotted before the race was decided. The time of the heats in this last named race in which the gray was beat, was 2:40, 2:42, 2:38, 2:36¼, 2:40¼, 2:43, 2:40, while in the race on Monday, which he won, the time was cut down to 2:32 in the third and last heat.

First Heat.—Dan Mace drove the bay mare, Robert Walker Honest Major, and Hiram the gray gelding. Honest Major, who had the pole, got a couple of lengths the best of the start of the gray, Grace breaking as soon as the word was given; he was six lengths ahead on rounding the upper turn, but before reaching the quarter pole, which was done in 40 secs., the gray, who fairly out-trotted him, had passed him and led a clear length at that point, Grace being several lengths behind. At the half mile pole Hiram had increased his lead to four lengths—time, 1:19; and the gap was still further widened on the third quarter, where Grace became second, Honest Major having broken up badly and fallen out of the race altogether. The gray came up the home-stretch leisurely, winning the heat by ten lengths in 2:36¼.

Second Heat.—Betting, $100 to $60 on Cregan's gray, who got a length the best of the send off; Grace, as before, cutting up capers as the word was given, and falling into third place. Hiram went to the quarter pole in 40 secs., half a length ahead of Honest Major, and to the half mile pole in 1:18¾, three lengths ahead of Grace, who took second place when Major broke on the back-stretch. He maintained his lead throughout, although he broke at the distance stand, and crossed the score a length and a half ahead of the mare, who was ten lengths before Major, in 2:35.

Third Heat.—Betting, $100 to $40 on Cregan's gray gelding. A fine start, the three horses going around the turn side by side. The superior speed of Hiram's horse was now manifest, as he parted company with his companions on the first quarter, and at that point was four lengths ahead in 38½ secs., Grace being two lengths in front of Major, who had a stern chase throughout. The half mile pole was passed in 1:15, the favorite leading nearly six lengths. The race was now virtually over, for Hiram jogged home the easiest of winners by half a dozen lengths in 2:32¼, the fastest heat in the race. Grace was ten lengths ahead of Honest Major. Summary:—

Fashion Course, L. I., Monday, May 15th.—Purse $100, with sweepstake of $25 each, play or pay, mile heats, best three in five, in harness.

T. Cregan named g g ———			1 1 1
W. Borse named b m Grace			2 2 2
W. Browning named g g Honest Major			3 3 3
Time.	*Quarter.*	*Half.*	*Mile.*
First heat	40	1:19	2:36¼
Second heat	40	1:18¾	2:35
Third heat	38½	1:15	2:32¼

TROTTING ON THE UNION COURSE, L. I.

ON this track a sweepstakes of $1500, mile heats, best three in five, in harness, came off on Tuesday, the 16th inst. The horses were Hiram Woodruff's br. m. Sally-Come-Up; R. Walter's b. g. Jimmy Lynch, and D. Pfifer's b. g. Rockland Boy. The former won easily in three straight heats, as shown in the subjoined summary:

Union Course, L. I., Tuesday, May 16.—Sweepstakes $1,500, mile heats, best three in five, in harness.

H. Woodruff named br. m. Sally-Come-Up			1 1 1
R. Walters named b. g. Jimmy Lynch			2 2 2
D. Pfifer named b. g. Rockland Boy			3 3 3
Time.	*Quarter.*	*Half.*	*Mile.*
First heat	41	1:19½	2:41½
Second heat	40	1:19¼	2:42
Third heat	40	1:19	2:40

Fashion Course, L. I., Wednesday, May 17,—Match $500, mile heats, three in five, in harness.

John Lovett named b. m. Lady ..... Received forfeit.
D. Pfifer named b. g. ..... Paid forfeit.

On Thursday, the 18th, a capital trot for a purse and stake of $225, mile heats, best three in five, to wagons, came off on the Union Course, L. I. The starters were Isaac Woodruff's g. m. Lady Marshall; Hiram Woodruff's s. g. Dictator, and Egbert Dennis' g. g. Gray Harry. This was Dictator's first public appearance on the track, and a great deal of interest was experienced in witnessing his initial performance. He is a strong, handsome sorrel horse, well known as a fast road horse, and is owned by Mr. Robert Tuttle, of Williamsburgh; Hiram drove him in this race.

First Heat.—Betting, $100 to $20 on Dictator. A capital start was effected, the favorite quickly going ahead of the others, and leading half a length at the upper turn. Lady Marshall joined issue on the first quarter, and as they passed the quarter pole in 43 secs., these two were head and head together, Gray Harry being three lengths behind. The mare broke on the back stretch, and Dictator was two lengths a head at the half mile pole in 1.27. Approaching the three quarter pole, both the favorite and Lady Marshall broke, the latter passing and leading, but could not hold it long, as the horse caught and passed her a they turned into the home stretch, and maintaining it all the way up, won the heat by a length and a half in 2.49; the mare, who broke within a short distance of the stand, beating Gray Harry by four lengths for second place.

Second Heat.—Betting, $100 to $10 offered without inducing speculation; $100 to $5, however, tempted a few to invest at such long odds. Dictator got half a length the best of the start, and was a clear length ahead of the mare at the turn, she being double that distance in front of the gray gelding. In those positions they passed the quarter pole in 42½ secs., and the half in 1:26. The gray horse broke at the three-quarter pole, and lost considerable ground in consequence. Dictator easily held his own up the homestretch, and crossed the score a length ahead of the mare, who broke as before near the stand, yet beat the gray by ten lengths for second place. Time, 2:47.

Third Heat.—Betting, $100 to $5 on Dictator. The mare got a length the best of the favorite at the sand off, but breaking almost immediately, the latter took the lead, passed the quarter a length ahead in 41 secs., the half two lengths in 1:23, and came home on an easy jog a winner by five lengths in 2:42½, Lady Marshall being as far before Gray Harry. Summary:—

Union Course, L. I.—Purse and sweepstake, $725; mile heats, best three in five, to wagons.

H. Woodruff named s g Dictator			1 1 1
1. Woodruff named g m Lady Marshall			2 2 2
Egbert Dennis named g g Gray Harry			3 3 3
Time.	*Quarter.*	*Half.*	*Mile.*
First heat	43	1:27	2:49
Second heat	42½	1:26	2:47
Third heat	41	1:23	2:42½

On Friday, the 19th, two trots came off on the Union Course, L. I.; the first being a match, and the second a sweepstakes. The match was between Dan Mace's g g Jesse and Hiram Woodruff's blk g Black Warrior, for $200, play or pay, mile heats, best three in five, to wagon; Jesse won the race very easily in three straight heats. In the first and second he took the lead from the start, and was never headed in either of them; in the third he broke up soon after the start, and the black horse led to the half mile pole, where Jesse passed him and won cleverly; time 2:50½, 2:54, 2:57½. The other was a sweepstakes of $500, mile heats, best three in five, in harness, and had four entries, three of which started. Those were A. L. Rogers' g m Sarah Jane; George E. Perrin's b m Agnes, and C. Mace's b m Lady Mace. For this the betting was brisk, Agnes ranking as the favorite in the pool sales, Sarah Jane next, and Lady Mace of little account. In the first heat, Agnes took the lead from the word "go," and retained it to the end, winning the heat in 2:48, and distancing Lady Mace. Although the favorite, Sarah Jane, had been beaten in the first heat, yet there were plenty of offers to back her at $70 against $100. Agnes got the best of the send off, but before she had got around the upper turn, the gray mare passed her, and led with apparent ease throughout, winning the heat by a length in 2:43¾. In the third heat, $100 to $40 were freely offered on Sarah Jane, with few takers. She took the lead at the start, and maintained it to the end, winning easily by three lengths in 2:42. The fourth and deciding heat was won in the same way, Sarah Jane beating the bay mare by three lengths in 2:43½. Summary:

Union Course, L. I., Friday, May 19.—Match, $200, p. p., mile heats, best three in five, to wagons.

D. Mace named g g Jesse			1 1 1
H. Woodruff named blk g Black Warrior			2 2 2
Time.	*Quarter.*	*Half.*	*Mile.*
First heat	42½	1:26	2:50½
Second heat	45	1:29	2:54
Third heat	46	1:30	2:57½

Same Day.—Sweepstakes, $500, mile heats, best three in five, in harness.

A. L. Rogers named g m Sarah Jane			2 1 1 1
George E. Perrin named b m Agnes			1 2 2 2
C. Mace named b m Lady Mace			dis.
B. Hook named g g Gray Ned			dr.
Time.	*Quarter.*	*Half.*	*Mile.*
First heat	43	1:26	2:48
Second heat	42	1:24	2:43½
Third heat	41	1:21	2:42
Fourth heat	42	1:24	2:43½

TEN BROECK'S CONTINUED SUCCESS.—Advices as late as the 6th inst. bring additional particulars of the Newmarket First Spring Meeting, by which we discover that Ten Broeck has won six more races, for various amounts, with his horses—Junceton, Troublesome, Scheidt and Biragues—Fordham piloting them to victory five times and Grimshaw once. Verily, our American turf representative is putting money in his purse.

THE ONE THOUSAND GUINEAS RACE AT NEWMARKET.—This great race, which is for three year old fillies exclusively, was run on the 4th inst and won by the Duke of Beaufort's Siberia, by Muscovite, beating Lord Glasgow's White Duck (second), Count La Grange's La Fortune (third), Mr. Ten. Broeck's Contract, and seven others. The stakes were worth $17,750.

THE RED HOUSE TRACK.—From an ad. in another column, it will be seen that the veteran Mark Maguire has taken the Red House Hotel and race track, and that he is prepared to receive horses on livery and for training. He has excellent stabling accommodation for fifty horses.

ST. LOUIS RACES.—Our report of the concluding days of these races is unavoidably crowded out; also, report of Lexington, Ky., spring meeting. They will be given in our next issue.

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THE BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

KAVANAGH FORFEITS.

The playing of the match for the Billiard Championship of America and the Emblematic Golden Cue, between Dudley Kavanagh, of this city, and Louis Fox, of Rochester, was, as we announced in our last week's CLIPPER, fixed for Tuesday evening, the 16th inst., and the Everett Rooms, corner of Twenty-second street and Broadway, were engaged for this purpose; the match, in consequence of the inability to secure a public hall, being arranged to come off in private. During the previous week, Mr. Fox had practiced regularly at Cahill's Rooms, in Sixth Avenue, along with Goldthwait, and his execution and style of play gave great satisfaction to the *cognoscenti*. In one practice game of 1500 points, caroms, he beat Goldthwait by upwards of 700 points, making several successive runs of over 200. He was in admirable condition, both as regards health and form of playing, and anticipated the result of the match with confidence. He had deposited the balance of his stake money ($250) with the appointed stakeholder, at which time he called that official's attention to the fact that the Champion Cue was not forthcoming at the last match between Kavanagh and Goldthwait, and demanded that it either be deposited with the stakeholder, or else brought to the hall on the night of the match. Late on Monday evening, the day previous to the match, after all the requisite arrangements had been made, Mr. Fox received the following note from the Champion, with the accompanying certificate:—

NEW YORK, May 15th, 1865.

MR. LOUIS FOX—Dear Sir: I enclose you herewith the certificate of my physician, by which you will understand that it is impossible for me to play the proposed match for the Champion Cue on the 16th inst. None can regret the unavoidable delay more than myself; and with a view of making what amends I can for the inconvenience caused you personally, I propose paying the expenses of your present visit to this city, and to play the match on any day you may name, during a period of thirty days after the 10th day of June next, and also that you shall have the selection of the hall, so that it be not connected with any billiard establishment. Yours truly, DUDLEY KAVANAGH.

(COPY).

I hereby certify that Dudley Kavanagh is suffering from ulceration of the right leg, which, in my opinion, entirely unfits him for any active exercise; and for the cure of the affection absolute rest is requisite.

New York, May 13th, 1865. JOHN J. CRANE, M. D.

It will be perceived that in the above letter, Kavanagh never alludes to the forfeit resulting from his inability to play the match on the appointed day. Mr. Fox at once sought an interview with Mr. Kavanagh's representative, and asked him if the latter intended to pay forfeit. The question however was evaded, and no positive answer given. Mr. Fox, therefore, by the advice of his friends, and suspicious of some underhand proceedings, was at the appointed place at the time specified, accompanied by a large number of the leading billiard notabilities in the country, among whom we noticed Messrs. Secrieter and Foley, of Detroit; Wilmarth, Tobin and Smith, Boston; Estephe, Philadelphia; Deery, Washington; Foster, Goldthwait, Cahill and Phelan, New York, &c. As Kavanagh failed to put in an appearance, Mr. Fox publicly claimed his right to the possession of the champion cue, and of the forfeit money, $250 a side, in the hands of the stakeholder. A meeting of the members of the Billiard Congress of 1863 was at the same time summoned for the following day at Messrs. Phelan and Collender's establishment in Crosby street, when the question of forfeiture in the match would be formally brought before them for decision.

MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN BILLIARD CONGRESS.

A MEETING of the members of the billiard congress of 1863, who were on a visit to this city for the purpose of witnessing the championship match between Kavanagh and Fox, was held in Messrs. Phelan and Collender's counting rooms, in Crosby street, on Wednesday morning, the 16th inst. The members present were Messrs. Phelan, Kavanagh, Collender and Goldthwait, of New York; Secrieter and Foley, of Detroit; Fox, of Rochester; Deery, of Washington, and Estephe, of Philadelphia. The former Chairman of the Congress, Mr. Philip Tieman, of Cincinnati, was absent, being prevented by a severe attack of rheumatism from visiting New York. In his absence, Mr. John Secrieter was chosen chairman of the meeting; Mr. Gavitt acting as secretary.

In consequence of some remarks from Mr. Gavitt not being agreeable to Mr. Kavanagh, that gentleman arose and protested against the former having anything to do with, or be present at the meeting. As, however, Mr. Gavitt had been regularly appointed at the previous meeting, the Secretary of the Congress, he was *ex-officio*, a member of that body, and Kavanagh's motion fell to the ground. The Chairman then stated that the object of their meeting together was to take into consideration the disposition of the Champion Cue, claimed by Mr. Fox as having been forfeited to him by Mr. Kavanagh, in consequence of the latter not playing the championship match on the previous evening. Foley, of Detroit, sagely expressed his opinion that the billiard congress had nothing to do with the matter, unless the appeal was made to them by the stakeholder. Kavanagh then proposed that the question of the forfeit of the cue be left to the stakeholder for decision, and to this Mr. Fox, as the principal party interested, agreed.

The secretary then proceeded to read the printed minutes of the last meeting of congress, when he was interrupted by Kavanagh (who appeared to be actuated by an exceedingly captious spirit), demanding that the original manuscript of the minutes be produced. This not being forthcoming, in consequence of its having been placed in the hands of Mr. Tieman, Kavanagh claimed that the congress could not legally proceed to business, as far as any action was concerned on which the rules were to be considered, and moved that the meeting adjourn, which was put and carried.

Mr. Goldthwait rose and stated that there was some important business to be transacted, not connected with the Championship rules, and moved that the meeting be reorganized, which was carried. The following resolutions were then read:

Whereas, Messrs. Phelan and Collender were the originators and founders of the American Billiard Congress, and the National Billiard Tournament, as well as the donators of the prizes, therefore be it

Resolved, That Messrs. Phelan and Collender be the authorized stakeholders in all future matches for the Championship, and that they be requested to arrange details for the same; and that they, as such founders, are hereby declared members of this congress.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to arrange by-laws for this body; and that they report to a meeting to be called by the president, some time during the coming Autumn.

Resolved, That all State billiard champions are hereby declared members of this body.

Kavanagh moved to lay these resolutions on the table, and the sage Foley seconded the motion, contending that none but those who had played for the cue ought to be allowed to become members of the Congress. On a vote being taken, Kavanagh's resolution was lost by a vote of four to three; Secreiter, Foley and Kavanagh voting to lay the matter on the table, and Estephe, Deery, Goldthwait and Fox the contrary. The resolutions were then moved for adoption, and carried by the same vote of four to three. Kavanagh then moved, in an insultingly sarcastic spirit, that the whole of the receipts at the future contests for the championship be presented to Messrs. Phelan and Collender. The coarseness and vulgarity of this direct insult to the gentlemen who had originated the Billiard Congress, and given all the prizes, the principal and most valuable of which had been won by Kavanagh himself, could only find one endorser beside the individual who moved it, and that was the gentlemanly billiardist from Detroit, Michael Foley, who seconded it; the other members, by their silence evinced their reprobation of the proceeding. The meeting then adjourned.

CHALLENGE TO THE UNITED STATES.—We are authorized to state that William Goldthwait will play a match against any billiard-player in the United States or Canada, for $2,500 a side, 1500 points up, four-ball American caroms, on a Phelan & Collender four-pocket table, with 2⅜ inch balls. If played in New York, Mr. Goldthwait will allow necessary expenses, and receive the same if played in any other city—the match to be played on the 27th, 28th or 29th of June next.

CONNECTICUT STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH.—The match between Mr. Mathew H. Hewins of Hartford, and Mr. G. B. Hubbell, the present State Champion, for the Championship Cue, fixed for the 18th inst., is off—Mr. Hewins, in consequence of severe sickness, having been compelled to forfeit.

A BILLIARD MATCH between two amateurs named Turner and Devieu, took place at the Merchant's Billiard Room, Chicago, on the 11th inst., 750 points up, caroms, which Turner won by 36 points only. Turner's highest score was 91 and Devieu's 89. Turner intends entering for the Ohio Championship, we are informed.

THE ILLINOIS BILLIARD TOURNAMENT is to commence in Chicago between the 5th and 15th of July.

A BILLIARD TOURNAMENT was held in Buffalo last week, but as the several participants therein were either ashamed or afraid to have their names mentioned, the details are robbed of any interest save of a merely local character, and we therefore omit them.

THE TRIGGER.

GREAT PIGEON SHOOTING MATCH FOR $2000.

THE CHAMPION PIGEON SHOT OF AMERICA PITTED AGAINST THE CRACK SHOT OF THE WESTERN STATES.

OUR readers will remember the publication in the CLIPPER of y challenge from Mr. John Taylor, of Jersey City, immediately after his two matches with the Jersey Boy, offering to shoot any man in the United States a match at pigeons, fifty double birds and fifty single birds, out of a ground trap in accordance with the rules of the New York Sportsmen's Club, for one thousand dollars a-side. This challenge was replied to by a Mr. Fred. Erb, of Lafayette, Ind., who, after declaring his readiness to accept it, did so by substituting totally different terms to those stated in the original challenge, proposing to shoot from a spring trap instead of a ground trap, and for the match to come off at Lafayette, Ind. Mr. Taylor showed that he really meant business when he issued his challenge, by unhesitatingly accepting the terms proposed by the Indiana representative, and agreeing to go out to the West and meet his opponent on his own ground; at the same time proposing the 28th June as the most convenient time for their trial of skill. The challenge was replied to by another well-known pigeon shot, Mr. Robert Newell, of Buffalo, (who, it will be remembered, defeated Mr. King in their great match three years ago,) who, however, proposed the plunge trap, which in reality affords no fair test of the abilities of the parties interested; consequently Mr. Taylor, adhering to the original conditions of his deed, paid no attention to his letter, and nothing further has been heard of the Buffalonian shooter. Since the acceptance by Mr. Taylor of the Western Knight of the Trigger's terms, communicated to him by letter, he has received the following communication, the courteous, sportsmanlike tenor of which leads us to anticipate that the forthcoming contest will be a fair honorable trial of shooting skill between them:—

LAFAYETTE, Ind., May 16th, 1865.

JOHN TAYLOR, ESQ: *Dear Sir*,—I forward you this note by Mr. Fletcher, to state that the contents of your letter are entirely satisfactory to me. With regard to the date for the match to be shot, I would like to fix it for the 26th July, instead of in June, if agreeable to you, for the reason that I wish to show you and the friends that accompany you, the prairies of the Western country, and can then insure you good sport in the way of grouse shooting. I propose to procure, if possible, about 500 birds, so that any of our friends wishing to shoot for sweepstakes can do so, as I wish to make the match agreeable to all parties. Please reply and state if this arrangement will suit your views; if so, I will send you a receipt from the First National Bank of this city for $200, as having been deposited agreeable to our understanding.

Yours truly, FRED. ERB.

To this letter Mr. Taylor has replied, stating the pleasure he felt in the mutual satisfaction experienced as to the terms of the match, and his appreciation of the reasons mentioned by Mr. Erb for wishing to postpone the match until the latter part of July; but stating his adherence to the date originally proposed, viz., the 28th June, as being most suitable for his previous engagements, as well as those of his accompanying friends to the far West. A pleasant match, and fair, honorable trial of shooting skill may therefore be expected.

TAYLOR'S SHOOTING CHALLENGE—THE HOOSIER ANSWERED.

EDITOR OF THE CLIPPER:—In the last number of the CLIPPER, my attention was called to a letter, under the above heading, dated "Lafayette, May 6, 1865," signed "Hoosier." This letter is so objectionable from the bluster by which it is characterized, as also from a suppression and distortion of material facts, that it is well adapted to mislead the public. As an admirer of pigeon shooting, and still more of an honest man like John Taylor, whose good name as well as rare skill in this sport have both been called in question, I am constrained to present to your readers a few comments. In the first place, it is singular that Mr. Taylor is accused of arrogating to himself the title of "Champion." Fortunately, "Hoosier" quotes the language of Mr. Taylor's challenge, and thus furnishes the refutation of the charge. The press has conferred this title of Champion upon Mr. Taylor, and deservedly so; inasmuch as in his various matches for the last ten years, he has, in a majority of cases carried off the laurels as the best pigeon shooter. Hoosier, however, is not restrained by any consideration of modesty from claiming this title himself, as, although so little known that he will not even give his own name to his letter, yet he asks Mr. Taylor "to resign his championship to me." Now, Mr. Editor, one word in regard to "Hoosier's" elegant suggestion at the close of his letter, that Mr. Taylor "had better retire to private life, and bottle whatever carbonic acid gas may yet remain in his unexploded body"—that being an article evidently very familiar to "Hoosier," but entirely unknown to gentlemen pigeon shooters in this vicinity. It seems to me that the greatest explosion of carbonic acid gas has recently occurred in a communication signed "Hoosier," which seems to have furnished such a vent for it as to leave me under the impression that much more may remain behind. Mr. Editor, excuse me for trespassing on your valuable space, but justice to a gentleman whose exploits on pigeon shooting are too well known to require any eulogy from me, seem to demand this notice.

Yours respectfully, JOHN H. MIDMER,
May 19, 1865. Jersey City.

PIGEON SHOOTING AT PRINCETON, N. J.—On Tuesday, the 16th inst., two matches at pigeons were shot at Princeton, N. J, between Mr. William Taylor, of Jersey City, (brother of the champion), and the well-known shot, Miles Johnson, of Yardville. The first match was for $100 a-side, at fifteen double birds, and was won by Johnson, who killed 27 out of 30 birds to his opponent's 25; consequently beating him by two birds.

The second match was for a similar amount, at twenty-five single birds, 1⅛ oz shot, 21 yards rise, and 80 yards boundary. Johnson was the favorite at two to one, but failed to secure a double victory, and Mr. Taylor only missed three out of twenty-five birds, while Johnson missed five out of the same number. We give the scores of each match:

DOUBLE BIRD MATCH.

Taylor...10 11 11 00 11 11 11 10 11 10 11 11 11 11 11—25 out of 30
Johnson..11 11 10 10 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 10 11 11 11—27 out of 30

SINGLE BIRD MATCH.

Taylor. .0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1—22 out of 25
Johnson.....0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 0—20 out of 25

We are authorized to state that Mr. William Taylor will shoot a match of fifty single birds with Miles Johnson, for $250 a-side, under the rules of the New York Sportsmen's Club; such match to be shot in the fall.

HARRY JENNINGS WILL GIVE ANYBODY A CHANCE.—Harry Jennings sends us a letter complaining of us for giving an opinion on the recent match between himself and Regan, in Philadelphia; also, saying that foul play was used towards him in that city, etc.; and then Harry says he is sick of one-sided work, and will quit it, but, before doing so, he desires to state that he will give any dog-fancier in the United States a chance to get any satisfaction he may want: "I have a 24-pounder, give or take a pound, for from $1,000 to $5,000; a 15 lb. suit, give or take a pound, for $1,000; or a 28 lb. dog, give or take a half pound, for $1,000 or $2,000. These are the only matches. I will give or take expenses, and fight anywhere. If these challenges are not accepted within three months from this date, I shall sell the two light-weight champions for $500, viz., Bowler the Greenhorn, and Crazy Kate. They have fought one battle each, and yourself was the stakeholder for the largest amount ever fought for in America, viz., twenty-five hundred dollars ($2500), both winning, the same day, Nov. 22d, 1864."

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In a land—no matter where, nor how 'tis called—
There stands a city—never mind the name—
Where dwelt a man called "Gabriel the Bald,"
Well known to Poverty, tho' not to Fame—
Till now.

For Gabriel the Bald was old and poor,
His cranium was bare, though on it sat
In monumental wretchedness his forehead o'er,
An outre object that HE called a hat—
The wag!

Odd as it seemed, old Gaby wore a ring
Which he declared with diamond pure was set;
And this was true; yet 'twas so odd a thing,
That Gaby could the statement no one get
To swallow.

He tried to sell it, and leave begging off.
"Don't bother with your trinket, man;" they said:
His health gave way beneath their usage rough,
And one raw morn they found him lying dead
And cold.

And then the wise world first found out the truth
That Gabriel the Bald had worn a gem
Of purest water all these years—but sooth
They "couldn't see it" when 'twas offered them
On Sale.

Read "genius" for "gem," and herein see
The sorry story of too many men,
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And die in poverty and want, and then
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CHAPTER XIII.

FRESH IMPORTATIONS—WILMINGTON TOO GOOD.

AFTER Cowell's secession from the Warren dynasty, Francis C. Wemyss became the managerial Magnus Apollo of the old house, and during the summer recess both of the Philadelphia managements sent agents to England to recruit their companies, with large bounties offered to enlist for America. Simpson and Cowell had taken the Walnut Street Theatre; John Hallam, a friend and actor of Cowell's, had a desire to visit his native country again, to marry a lady to whom he had been betrothed. Having feathered himself well with some American eagles, thither he went to consummate connubially his lover's vows, in addition to which ceremonies Cowell commissioned him to engage any talented performers he might meet with likely to suit him. All these things he faithfully fulfilled, returning in the fall of 1827 with a number of new faces of both sexes, viz., William Henry Smith (his real name being Sedley), Mr. and Mrs. Hallam, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Mr. Grierson, Mr. Sefton, Miss Wells, Miss Stannard, Mrs. Kinlock, and her little girl, Miss Lane; they arrived at New York in the ship Britania. By Cowell's order they were directed to put up at a fashionable retaurant in Park Row kept by a *bon vivant*, Charles Irish. Their bill while there reminds one of Falstaff's bill of items.

Item—Sack 2 gallons	5s. 8d.
Item—Anchovies and sack after supper	2s. 6d.
Item—Bread	½d.

This was supposed to have happened in the reign of Henry 4th. The following did happen during the reign of Cowell and Simpson.

MR. JOHN HALLAM TO CHARLES IRISH:

One day's lodgings for self and party	$18 50
Refreshments	56 00
	$74 50

Hallam was a fine, jolly specimen of the John Bull, and, of course, he took care that the representatives of the British drama should be properly honored on this, their first appearance on American ground. As soon as Hallam's mission was known, Mr. Warren despatched Mr. Wemyss on a similar errand; but Hallam was limited to give only three guineas a week as the highest salary. Wemyss had to pay much more, of course, as he had to select persons who by talents or circumstances had achieved some kind of reputation in England. Now Cowell's had never been heard of out of their own little circle, with the exception of his principal man, Grierson, and Hallam prided himself on being the original Duke of Wellington in the "Battle of Waterloo."

When these recruits arrived at New York, Cowell was in successful operation at Philadelphia. Grierson opened in "Rolla" and made no impression; Mrs. Mitchell was also introduced as Cora; this lady had a pretty face, but a broad Lincolnshire dialect, certainly not understood in tragedy by an American audience. Cowell doubled her salary on condition that she would play the old women, which offer she very sensibly accepted, and made quite a hit in them. Pretty women always require to be well paid for making themselves ugly. Grierson was a tall, stalwart figure, with rather a small round face for 6 feet 2; and, unfortunately, very near-sighted, so that when he had to seize Cora's child from the Spanish soldier (Charles Lee being a very small man) who held the child in his arms, Grierson, instead of catching hold of the child, seized Charley Lee by the nape of the neck and bore both off at once triumphantly! his sword shedding fire as he struck their Castilian sabres. The laughter of the audience was prodigious. But Mr. W. H. Smith became an immense favorite; he was a handsome fellow, and, as a general actor not surpassed on our boards. John Sefton at that time was a very thin, spare actor, and excellent in little bits, as they say in stage parlance. His fame was not made till some years after; when, as Jemmy Twitcher, in the "Golden Farmer," he therein made perennial reputation. The equestrian company that had occupied the theatre before it was altered were sent to a circus temporarily erected in Wilmington, Delaware.

Ad interim, Mr. Wemyss returned from England with a large host of histrions and stars, from whom too much was expected, and hence a sad failure in the perspective. On the night that Miss Emery, Southwell, and Samuel Chapman were announced for Belvidera, Jaffier, and Pierre, in "Venice Preserved," at Old Drury, Cowell announced Mr. and Mrs. Hamblin and Mr. W. H. Smith in the same parts at the Walnut Street Theatre. So it went, tit for tat, and some how or other it turned out that Cowell's half-priced actors proved as great, or greater favorites than Wemyss' full-priced articles. With the aid of Walker's beautiful scenery, the "Sleeping Beauty" and the burletta of "Don Giovanni," gotten up in splendid style by Mr. Cowell, had a very successful run.

The great American star, Mr. Thomas A. Cooper, played a farewell engagement at the Walnut Street Theatre prior to his departure for London, whither he was going to play an engagement at Drury Lane Theatre, then under the management of Stephen Price.

On Oct. 31st, 1827, Mr. Cooper performed Macbeth for his farewell benefit, after which, he delivered a brief address from a written paper. It would seem that Mr. Cooper was not happy in public speaking, apart from a studied character. He reduced his thoughts to writing, as he could not trust them even by study to his memory. He evinced a great deal of feeling on this adieu occasion—probably a last farewell to those before whom he had so long labored and been crowned with fame. It was leaving home upon a doubtful trial, and which proved in the end a mortifying one, most unjustly inflicted, amounting to a national discourtesy. He preceded the address with an apology for placing it on paper, but in the simple reading he became embarrassed; either his feelings veiled his eye-sight, or the matter being in his own writing (he naturally wrote a cramped hand), and the manuscript being written on both sides of a sheet of foolscap that became transparent as he held it before the footlights, caused confusion, added to which his aroused sympathies made the writing perfectly illegible to his eyes, and not resorting to glasses, which he used at that time occasionally—being in the fifty-first year of his age—failing to make out his own manuscript, he gave it up and substituted a few extemporaneous words emanating from the heart, arising out of his own thoughts. As they were genuine, the audience sympathised with them, and honest tears were seen to flow from all. When he retired to his dressing room, Cowell said to Greene: "I should like to see you and the veteran Cooper reconciled before he leaves us. He has his foibles, his infirmities of temper, but he is a noble gentleman of integrity and honor. You are younger than he, John Greene; it is for you to make the first advances." Greene, who truly owed him no malice, and having had his manly say out, immediately entered the star's dressing room and tendered his hand to Cooper. "Sir," said Greene, "I would not like to part in anger with you; let bygones be bygones; we both may have been to blame; here is my hand; let us part friends." Cooper grasped his hand cordially, mutual explanations followed, and they remained true friends till Cooper's death in April, 1849, which took place in Bristol, Pa. When the season closed at the Walnut Street they went to Baltimore, where Simpson sent Cowell all the Park stars. This was a death blow to Warren's management, for he had to encounter their loss in attracting the audiences and depriving him of all the novelties. It was an unlooked-for stroke against him, and eventually caused his failure.

Previous to their Baltimore visit, the Greenes had formed a scheme with Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Miss Stannard, Miss Sarah Wells, Mr. Wells, John Sefton, and Grierson, to go to Wilmington, Del.; but they were sorely non-plussed. Neither the stage nor Shakespeare was scarcely tolerated at this saintly town—they were considered in the light of vagabonds, as the English laws had, or, have it. The theatre—lest it should demoralize the people in the town—was like an unclean beast, driven beyond the boundaries of the borough. The actors had a vehicle that conveyed them from their lodgings in the place to the theatre in the country, which they called "the Royal Boroughline Stage." They only cleared their expenses at this town. The Walnut was opened for a season, and then Cowell opened his great Baltimore campaign, as we have noticed, when the stars crowded the houses nightly. At Wilmington a funny incident occurred: the corps was performing "Pizarro." During the Temple of the Sun scene, where a solemn Peruvian sacrifice takes place, the altar, the place of worship, is made to receive a ball of fire in token of the "power supreme's" approbation of their appeal to its protection! In their hymn of invocation the fire of Heaven descends on the altar—then the sacred music very effectively changes to a vivid measure, or time, thus:—

"Give praise—give praise,
Our prayer is heard!" etc.
* * * * * *
"May victory sit on Rolla's brow,
His foes to crush, to overcome!
Give praise—give praise," etc.

As this presto movement commenced, the entire altar took fire It was composed of pasteboard painted in imitation of Lapis Lazuli stone, with a dazzling sun in the centre; behind was strewed with cotton saturated with turpentine to give effect to the fire; but the ball caught in its passage down the wire to some of the combustibles on the altar, and the whole structure was in a blaze. Rolla, Alonzo, and all on the stage exerted themselves to extinguish the flames, which had now scattered over the stage. The dress of one of the virgins took fire, and it being composed of light material, the poor female was in danger of being burnt to a cinder, but for the presence of mind displayed by Mr. Wisdom, the master carpenter of the theatre, who snatched up an old green baize curtain that had been laying behind the scenes, and, throwing it around her, rolled himself with the burning girl in it to almost suffocation, and so squelched the flames. The lady escaped death but was badly burned, and Wisdom himself was dreadfully scorched in the face and hands. It was a valiant and noble act in him

Rolla has to address the Peruvian army before the sacred invocation, appealing in a stirring speech to their patriotism. No supernumeraries could be got in the town, consequently there were no soldiers to address. Imagination is very creative; so the audience had the liberty to fancy the six virgins on each side of the altar as Amazonians. Poetry admits of such things in the classics, but Rolla imagined his "Brave associates, partners of my toil," &c., as outsiders to the *dramatis personæ*, and addressed them as if off the stage.

After the Wilmington season the company went to Baltimore, where there was a perfect milky way of stars; among them Macready, Forrest, Hackett, Miss Kelly, Mrs. E. Knight, Mrs. Austin, and Clara Fisher; the houses were dense with crowds to witness the performances of such a galaxy of talent. Clara Fisher was the great star. Everything was Clara Fisher; boats, horses, bonnets, everything was called after her.

TO BE CONTINUED.

THE GAME OF CHESS.

To Correspondents.

J. F. S., New Milford, Ct.—Thanks for informing us of the *lapsus* in Prob. No. 479; have written you about the Chess Scrap Book.

A. Z. HUGGINS.—Your otherwise very pretty problem (479) admits, unfortunately, of a mate in two moves.

THE BERLINER SCHACHZEITUNG has passed under the editorial supervision of Herren Schmidt and Minckwitz. There is said to be no lessening of its zeal or spirit, nor any lowering of its standard under the new *regime*. We give this week an interesting specimen of Herr M.'s abilities as a problem composer, by way of introducing him to the American Chess world.

ADDENDA.—Our readers will thank us for adding two or three facts respecting Prof. Haldeman's *Tours of a Chess Kt*, which have come to our knowledge since writing our brief notice of last week. Its independence of treatment is truly refreshing. The edition is but a very small one, and the book will soon be classed among the rare curiosities of Chess, to be obtained at almost any price. None but the prompt will secure a copy. Price $2.

NEW CHESS COLUMN.—We have received several numbers of the *St. Catherines Constitutional*, containing a brief Chess column which, under the fostering care and patronage of the able and numerous amateurs of the Canadas, should become a permanent and valuable Chess organ. We welcome its appearance and wish it success.

Enigma No. 481.

From the Era.

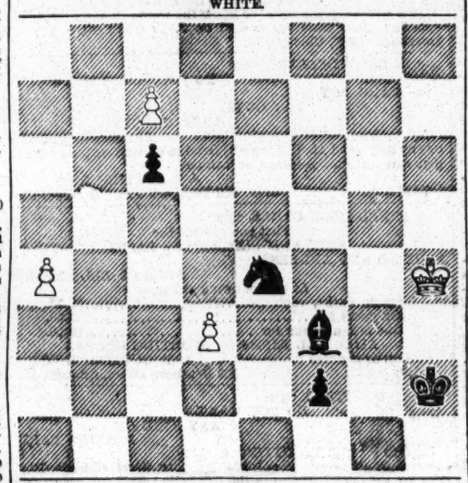
BY HERR MINCKWITZ.

White to play and give mate in five moves.

Problem No. 481.

BY JOHN GARDNER.

WHITE.



BLACK.

Black to play and give mate in four moves.

Game No. 481.

Lively and well-fought game at St. Louis, Mo., between Mr. Thee. Rabuski, formerly of New York, and our contributor, Theo. M. Brown.

BISHOP'S GAMBIT.

Attack, Rabuski.	Defence, Brown.	Attack, Rabuski.	Defence, Brown.
1..P to K 4	P to K 4	16..B 2d P × P	Castles (*b*)
2..P-K B 4	K P × P	17..Q Kt-Q 4	K B × Kt
3..K B-B 4	Q-R 5 +	18..B P × B	K R-K sq
4..K-his B sq	P-Q 4 (*a*)	19..Q B × Kt	K R × B
5..K Kt-B 3	Q-K R 4	20..Kt 2d P × P	Kt-Q B 4
6..K B × P	P-Q B 3	21..Q P × Kt	Q R × Q
7..B-Q Kt 3	P-K Kt 4	22..P Queens +	K-his Kt 2
8..Q Kt-B 3	K B-Kt 2	23..Kt-home	P-K B 6
9..P-Q 4	K Kt-K 2	24..P-K Kt 3	B-R 6 +
10..Q-her 3	P-K R 3	25..K-his B 2	P-K Kt 5
11..Q B-Q 2	P-Q Kt 3	26..K Kt × B	Q × B P +
12..Q Kt-K 2	Q B-Kt 5	27..K-his B sq	Kt P × Kt
13..Q B-Kt 4	Q Kt-Q 2	28..Q-Q R 3	Q-K 6
14..P-Q B 3	P-Q B 4	29..Q R-K sq	Q-her 7
15..Q P × P	Q R-Q sq	30..K R-Kt sq	P-K B 7, and

the Attack surrendered.

(*a*) This is the way to "open up" in retort to the "Bishop's Gambit."

(*b*) The rest of the game is as entertaining as the opening has been instructive. Our readers will enjoy it vastly.

CHEQUERS.

To Draught Players.

THE ELEMENTS OF DRAUGHTS; OR, BEGINNERS' SURE GUIDE. By the Draught Editor of the CLIPPER. This book has been pronounced by the Editor of Bell's Life to be "THE BEST ELEMENTARY TREATISE EVER WRITTEN ON THE GAME." Printed on fine paper, gilt binding, illustrated with diagrams, and enriched by numerous games from the best masters. Anderson's system of recording, together with Patterson's system complete. Advanced players will find this treatise well worthy their notice. Sent, post paid, to any address in the United States, for 50 cents. Address I. D. J. SWEET, CLIPPER OFFICE,
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To Correspondents.

WEEKLY NEWS, Dundee, Scotland.—1. The solution of the "American Position," as given by Messrs. Pool and Lear, is good, and we think the win is forced for Black; they have truly played it fine. 2. Mr. Thompson dissents from your opinion, that 17 to 14 is not the proper reply in Game No. 66 Vol. XII. He says that move is sound, but 29 to 25 is the wrong move. 28 to 24 is the correct move.

E. HULL, Philadelphia, Pa.—Your position, styled "the famous American Position," by the British players, has been analysed by Messrs. Lear and Pool, of Liverpool, and they say "Black to play and win." They play 106 moves and force a win, and we think they are correct. We give the position for the benefit of the players:

Black Men 3, 6, 14. Kings 16, 22.
White Men 12, 13, 21. Kings 4, 15.
White to play.

W. ELEGERN, Mount Liberty, O.—Order received—but no "stamps."

G. THOMPSON.—We have given your opinion on Game No. 66.

A. KERR, Glasgow, Scotland.—The "*Glasgow Sentinel*" and "*Scottish Banner*" come regularly to hand, for which please accept our thanks; also for the "*Penny Post*."

Solution of Position No. 11.—Vol. XIII.

BY A. J. F.

White.	Black.	White.	Black.
1..17 to 14	10 to 17	6..31 to 22	2 to 7
2..32 28	3 10	7..28 24	7 10
3..18 15	11 18	8..24 19	10 14
4..30 26	21 30	9..19	16, and wins.
5..26 23	18 27		

Solution of Position No. 12.—Vol. XIII.

BY J. H. BURNHAM.

White.	Black.	White.	Black.
1..23 to 18	14 to 23	4..30 to 26	21 to 30
2..26 19	16 23	5..7 2	30 23
3..22 18	23 14	6..2	20 and wins.

Game No. 7.—Vol. XIII.

PLAYED at the Club Rooms, in the late match between Messrs. Hickok and Thompson.

WILL O' THE WISP.

Hickok, Black.	Thompson, White.	Hickok, Black.	Thompson, White.
1..11 to 16	23 to 19	13..2 to 6	32 to 28
2..9 13	22 18	14..11 16	(*c*)28 24
3..15 22	25 18	15..16 23	26 19
4..7 11(*a*)	19 15	16..13 17	31 26
5..10 19	24 15	17..6 10	24 30
6..6 9	29 25	18..1 6	19 16
7..13 16	28 24	19..6 9(*d*)	26 23
8..9 14	18 9	20..18 27	30 26
9..5 14	(*b*) 24 19	21..17 22(*e*)	26 17
10..11 18	10 13	22..9 13	25 22
11..8 11	27 24	23..27 31	16 11
12..4 8	24 19	24..8 15	Hickok wins.

(*a*) A new move, not down in the books.
(*b*) A fine move.
(*c*) The losing move.
(*d*) Bearing down heavy.
(*e*) Another fine move.

Game No. 8.—Vol. XIII.

OLD FOURTEENTH.

Black.	White.	Black.	White.
1..11 to 15	23 to 19	10..7 to 10	30 to 26
2..8 11	22 17	11..2 6	24 20
3..4 8	25 22	12..15 24	28 19
4..15 18	22 15	13..11 15	13 9
5..11 18	17 13	14..6 13	26 22
6..9 14	29 25	15..15 24	22 6
7..10 15	19 12	16..1 10	32 28
8..6 15	26 23	17..3 7	28 19
9..8 11	23 19	18..7 11(*a*)	

(*a*) This is the End-game, Position No. 13, Vol. XIII, for "White to play and Black to draw." It is also the Position engraved on the medal for the winner of the first prize in the Metropolitan Draught Club Tourney. The A. D. P. gives 7 to 11 as the losing move for Black and publishes on diagram for "White to play and win," but on playing it over about a year ago, we discovered a neat draw, and now give it for the benefit of the players.

Match Games.

BETWEEN J. McINTOSH AND J. McGREGOR.

Black—J. McI.		White—J. McG.	
18..7	16	23	14
19..1	6	27	23

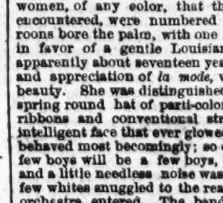
SECOND GAME.

Black—J. McG.		White—J. McI.	
16..15	19	21	17
17..19	23	17	14
18..1	6		

Position No. 13, Vol. XIII.

THE DRAUGHT TOURNAMENT MEDAL PROBLEM.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and Black to draw.

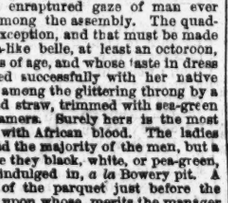
For play see Game No. 8.

Position No. 14, Vol. XIII.

BY J. H. BURNHAM.

[An ingenious position.—ED. D. D.]

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to move and win.

ON THE BLACK BOARDS;

OR,

A Night with the Colored Thespians.

THE "Ira Aldridge Dramatic Union," composed of colored artists, gave a performance of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," on the 11th inst., at the "Grand Street Garden," Williamsburg, N. Y. A reporter of the *World*, who is probably in good standing with the colored persuasion, gives the following report of the proceedings, which we have taken the liberty to transfer to our columns:—

Procrastination is a characteristic of the Ethiopian race. They are always "comin'," but seldom come on time. Witness the leisure displayed in the simple matter of replenishing the cup or plate of the hotel or steamboat guest. Witness the longevity of the two sexes, who keep the sexton waiting years and years after nature has cried quits with their faculties. Forgetful of this inherent quality of the persuasion, the chronicler arrived at the Garden at 8 o'clock, the hour named when the performance should commence, and was surprised to find the auditory comprised, besides himself, one Uncle Aaron, two Aunt Chloes, and a couple of sample Sambos, aged three and eight years respectively. An inquiry at the door re-assured him that the "folks would come bime-by." And they did. By 9¼ o'clock the theatre was well filled with an audience of rarely equalled beauty and fashion. Conversation carried on in a loud tone of voice showed that many visitors had traveled far in order to assist at the dramatic feast, and that more would have surely come but for the uncertainty of all human affairs. The men were mainly young, spruce looking fellows in easy circumstances. The ladies were a little more mixed as to age, but evidently of the higher walks of life, not a few having probably graduated on a step-ladder. Were we writing for a sensation journal, or for the *Anglo-African*, we might here devote a chapter to the glorification of the beautiful maidens that graced the remarkable scene, but to bestow more than passing justice to the petite figure, the admirable bust, the peachy cheek, the lustrous eyes, the crimped, cascading hair, and elegant toilets, that encountered the lorgnette glance at every turn, would exceed our province. Let it suffice, that, without exception, some of the handsomest women, of any color, that the enraptured gaze of man ever encountered, were numbered among the assembly. The quadroons bore the palm, with one exception, and that must be made in favor of a gentle Louisiana-like belle, at least an octoroon, apparently about seventeen years of age, and whose taste in dress and appreciation of *la mode*, vied successfully with her native beauty. She was distinguished among the glittering throng by a spring round hat of parti-colored straw, trimmed with sea-green ribbons and conventional streamers. Surely hers is the most intelligent face that ever glowed with African blood. The ladies behaved most becomingly; so did the majority of the men, but a few boys will be a few boys, be they black, white, or pea-green, and a little needless noise was indulged in, *a la* Bowery pit. A few whites smuggled to the rear of the parquet just before the orchestra entered. The band, upon whose merits the manager grew ecstatic in the bills, consisted of performers upon no less than five instruments, namely: one violin, one double bass, one flageolet, one flute, one triangle. This is, undoubtedly, the best instrumental force in Williamsburg, and would that Mozart had heard the double bass! It uttered three tones, and took its own time invariably. The triangle walked into the melody *ad lib.*, while the violin grew scratching for lack of more rosin to the bow. The selections included extracts from "Ione," in long metre, and something of a miscellaneous nature from Faust's Pop goes the cider for Miss Dinah till daylight doth appear by moonlight alone Yankee Doodle, or some other equally stirring medley. The overture was highly applauded. At about 9:40 the curtain arose in obedience to a very general order to "H'ist dat rag!" accompanied by astounding cat-calls and Calliopean whistles. A murmur of excitement thrilled through the house as the first scene from H. B. Stowe's play was disclosed. The first act introduced George Harris, Eliza, St. Clair, and Haley. It occupied about three minutes in playing, and was productive of hilarious laughter, and a general cry of 'louder! louder!" Eliza was very excellently represented by an amateur, whose name ought certainly to have been vouchsafed to the public. Mr. Manager Connor, who appeared as George Harris, is a fine-looking young man, rather nervous, but inclined to act creditably. What passed between him and Eliza relative to his determination to "fly to freedom" was not generally heard, the artists not being accustomed to the acoustic qualities of the theatre. Having read Mrs. Stowe's account of the interview, we are enabled to credit its interesting nature. Upon the exit of Eliza and George, St. Clair and friend entered and adjusted themselves according to instructions, on either side of a practicable table. We were unable to learn the purport of the dialogue which seemed to ensue, except that now and then the invisible prompter was heard to say, "Sell Tom? Not if I can help it!" "Liza's a trump! just the cut for New Orleans! Come, what will you take for her, cash down?" Having come to a conclusion, the couple retired for a moment, and returned to remove the table and chairs—the supernumeraries not having arrived. The curtain descended. An *entr'acte* of about twenty minutes duration succeeded, accompanied by a little music from the band and a volunteer choir of sweet-voiced boys. The second part of the first act was at length entered upon, the scene being before Uncle Tom's Cabin. Eliza, accompanied by her child, knocked at the door of the hut, which was lit by gas. Aunt Chloe cried out "who's dat kickin' up sech a row out dar? Go way you black niggars an' luff me and Uncle Tom lone!" Presently Tom appeared at the door, candle in hand, and followed by Chloe, dressed in a night-style of simple white. These apparitions produced so great and prolonged a sensation upon the audience that nothing of the dialogue could be heard ten feet from the stage. The company rose *en masse* and stood on the benches amid incessant cries of "down in front!" "get up behind?" and "how rude such folks is!" Time of acting four minutes. Another long wait followed. In the subsequent scenes Legree put in an appearance, and also Marks, who was dressed in blue army pants, a black frock coat, labelled in chalk "1 of F. F. V's.," and a hat three sizes too much for his head. The artist who filled this comic part was the only one of the company that deemed it expedient to apply flour to his physiognomy—the distinction between white and black characters being made by casting in the former the mulattos or quadroons of the *corps*, and in the latter the ace of spades representatives. This simple mode of proceeding proved wholly satisfactory. The play proceeded leisurely, and by 11 o'clock Harris and Eliza had got in sight of Ohio. The stage management was a trifle defective in this wise, that the necessary shifting of scenes seldom took place at the right time. Eliza wanted a river to talk to and of upon one occasion, but found only a window and a chair instead. Trees were allowed to grow within tavern parlors, and the ice-bound Ohio was fenced in with marble pillars. The rocky pass in which Eliza and Harris secreted themselves gave way, and the fugitives were discovered roosting quietly on a four-runged ladder. Little Eva found a very agreeable representative in Miss Exalina Evans, a child of about nine years, very pretty, and neatly dressed. Topsey was delineated very graphically. Some confusion arose from the fact that two or three artists had to do duty in two distinct *roles*, and once it happened that the representative of Legree and of the Quaker had to ask his own questions and produce his own replies, while to give more plausibility to the scene, he deliberately exchanged his garments as the Quaker for those of Legree in presence of the house. The Legree wardrobe was badly damaged. For a first performance, that of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" passed off very smoothly, all things considered, and we are bound to admit the talent of Mr. Connor and company. Their success in the path of dramatic art will doubtless urge them to more ambitious efforts in this city—possibly at the Academy of Music, where an audience overwhelming as appreciative might readily be gathered to encourage them in the permanent establishment of a colored theatre. We have Italian opera, German opera, a French theatre, German theatre, and Ethiopian minstrelsy, then why not support an Africo-American stage? The talent is at hand; and the patronage—let the Loyal League contribute toward a joint-stock enterprise having this object in view. Mr. Connor's energy is worthy of all praise; let us see what the self-appointed patrons of his way of coloring his skin will do for him. Of the farces which followed the drama we have only to say that, as a humorous attempt, it far exceeded the author's intention. It was worth going Williamsburg miles to see. The "Maniac" business by the great tenor, Spellman, is an unrivalled performance that must be seen to be appreciated, as has been occasionally remarked of other interesting performances. We hope soon to have an opportunity of commenting upon another of these unique and truly delightful entertainments.

SECOND-HAND MILL.—A merry little mill came off near the same spot where Jim Frawley and Jim Turner fought lately, not far from Philadelphia. It was between two second-hand-men named John Orr and Sam Fleming. Orr was seconded by Gallagher, and Fleming by Carvlile (not unknown to fame). They fought four rounds. Orr drew first blood, Fleming gained first knock down. The Blues put in an appearance, cut the fight short, and arrested Fleming and some ten of the spectators. They were all held to bail. Orr will be backed for $100 against Fleming. The belligerents keep second-hand stores in close proximity to each other.

THE RING.

A WELL-CONTESTED MILL.

BETWEEN JAS. DUNN AND WM. DAVIS,

FOR $4000.

DUNN THE WINNER IN 43 ROUNDS IN ONE HOUR AND SIX MINUTES.

AN ORDERLY ASSEMBLAGE AND NO INTERRUPTION.

The match between Dunn and Davis was brought to a close on Tuesday, 16th inst., in Pike County, Pa., in the presence of one of the most orderly assemblages ever gathered at the Ring side. Before giving a description of the fight, we propose to commence our record of the affair with a

HISTORY OF THE MEN.

JAMES DUNN is a native of the Emerald Isle, having been born in Athy, County Kildare, Ireland, in October ,1842. He has a fine athletic appearance, and is withal a "hefty youth," being 5ft. 11in. in height, and weighing 154 lbs. Dunn's appearances within the roped arena have not been numerous, although he has appeared time and again to advantage on the stage with the gloves for the benefit of his brother-pugs. His only actual battle anterior to the one now treated of, was with James, or more familiarly called the one now treated of, was with James, or more familiarly called Jimmy, Elliott, in the classic neighborhood of Bull's Ferry, N.J., for $300 a side, on May 13, 1863, in which Dunn came off conqueror in 12 rounds, occupying 35min. Dunn's reputation was also considerably enhanced in pugilistic circles through his accompanying Joe Coburn to Ireland, as assistant trainer to the Champion when he expected to meet the redoubtable Jem Mace in the roped arena.

WM. MICHAEL DAVIS is also a son of Old Erin, having been born in County Antrim; he is 32 years of age, fully 5ft. 11in. in height, and about 168 lbs. in weight. He is a stout, broad-shouldered, large-boned, heavily-built man, and determination and pluck are strongly indicated in the expression of his countenance. He is also a quiet, unassuming, gentlemanly individual, and in that regard is typical of what the true and honest pugilist ever is and should be. He first became known in American pugilistic history by his connection with the California P. R., and from whence he was first introduced to the readers of the CLIPPER. His first set-to was with one Pearson, whom he defeated, but the details thereof have not been recorded. His next encounter, and the one which brought him into more prominent notice, was with Tom Daley, at Port Wine, Cal., for $1000, in which Davis secured the victory, after a plucky battle of 54 rounds, occupying 47min., on May 31, 1862. Two years after, or on June 14, 1864, he met and defeated another of the Daley family, Patsy by name, in the short time of 8min., in which 8 rounds were fought, at Virginia City, N. T. By these battles Davis secured the repute of being a hard hitter, a good receiver, but not very scientific. His bravery and gentlemanly demeanor combined, elicited the respect and esteem of the California boxers generally.

THE PRESENT MATCH.

The present match was brought about as follows: About eight or nine months since W. M. Davis arrived in New York from California, during Coburn's absence in Ireland. He remained comparatively quiet for a period, looking up his old friends and making new ones. As the battle between Coburn and Mace had fallen through, there were those in the boxing fraternity of this city who thought they had an opponent for Coburn in Davis, and to that end a set-to was arranged between them so as to take stock of Davis, at the exhibtion given last winter for the benefit of Tom O'Donnell, at the Stuyvesant Institute, in this city. Joe, however, showed his superior skill in so broad a light, that it was deemed prudent not to push things in that direction, and the proposed match fell through. Soon after this Dunn was brought forward as a fit opponent for Davis, and as the latter, to use a common phrase, was "spoiling for a fight," they soon came to terms, and on the 23d day of December, 1864, articles of agreement were signed between them at the office of the NEW YORK CLIPPER, of which the following are the prominent points: "The said James Dunn agrees to fight the said W. M. Davis a fair stand up fight according to the New Rules of the London Prize Ring, by which the said James Dunn and W. M. Davis mutually agree to be bound. The said fight shall be for the sum of not less than one thousand dollars a side—more if mutually agreed to—and shall take place on Wednesday, March 22d, 1865, in the State of Pennsylvania, the precise spot to be tossed for. In pursuance of this agreement, $70 a side are now deposited in the hands of —— to be transferred to the final stakeholder as soon as he shall be agreed upon." Here follow dates, &c., for staking the several deposits, which it is not necessary to incorporate. The above document and proceedings connected therewith were of the most friendly character; nothing was at that time suspected that would tend to interrupt the *entente cordiale*, and Davis proceeded to his friends in Philadelphia, and Dunn about his business for the time being. Matters went on all right up to the staking of the 7th deposit on Feb. 1st, when the match went up in a balloon, owing to circumstances that must be still fresh in the memory of most of our readers, and which are concisely told in the following paragraph which appeared in the CLIPPER of Feb. 18th:

"The Dunn and Davis match is off. A deposit was to have been made in Brooklyn, on Feb. 1st, at 10 P. M. The Davis party are said to have been detained on the ferry-boat in the river by the ice, but the stakeholder, Mr. Dwyer, was on board, and Davis' $100 were placed in his hands. They did not reach the place of deposit in Brooklyn till after 10 o'clock, and therefore the Dunn party claimed forfeit, the $600 down, on the ground that Davis' money was not deposited in time at the *place* named. The stakeholder took a proper view of the case by saying that he had the money in his possession before the time, but would decide the question on the following Monday evening. Some influence is said to have induced him to postpone his decision. In a few days after it is stated that he gave a decision to Dunn, saying that he, Dunn, was entitled to forfeit, and therefore gave him the money. If this is correct, it is a very singular proceeding, and goes still further to convince us that unless some reform is had, the P. R. in America will soon be among the things that were."

To this day, so far as we know, no satisfactory explanation has been given for this doubtful and suspicious procedure. All that we know is, that Davis failed to get any satisfaction, and being still anxious to fight, and having found staunch friends in the Quaker City, he succeeded in again matching himself against Dunn for double the former stake, or $2000 a side, according to the following

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT.

Articles of agreement entered into this 14th day of February, 1865, between James Dunn and Wm. M. Davis. The said James Dunn agrees to fight the said Wm. M. Davis a fair stand-up fight, according to the new rules, by which the said James Dunn and Wm. M. Davis hereby mutually agree to be bound. The said fight shall be for the sum of $2000 a side, and shall take place on Tuesday, May 16th, 1865, in the State of Pennsylvania, James Dunn to name the ground. In pursuance of this agreement, $800 a side are now deposited in the hands of R. C. Cowley, who shall be the final stakeholder. The second deposit of $700 a side shall be made on Tuesday, Feb. 28th. The third deposit of $500 a side shall be made on Tuesday, March 14th. The fourth and final deposit of $500 a side shall be made on Tuesday, March 28th, 1865, on which occasion a toss shall take place to decide which man shall be entitled to name the place of meeting, of which ten days notice shall be given to the loser of the toss. The said deposits shall be made between the hours of nine and four o'clock, and the party failing shall forfeit the money down. The men shall be in the ring between the hours of six and ten o'clock A. M., or the man absent to forfeit the battle money. That in the event of magisterial interference, the umpires and referee shall decide the next time and place of meeting, if possible on the same day. That the expenses of the ropes and stakes shall be borne mutually, share and share alike, (or by the winner as may be agreed upon). The stakes not to be given up, unless by mutual consent, till fairly won or lost by a fight. In pursuance of this agreement we hereunto attach our names.

JAMES DUNN,
WILLIAM M. DAVIS.

PATRICK KEENAN, MICHAEL MULLIN, } Witnesses.

In due time, after signing the above document, both men went into training, Dunn at Mark Maguire's hostelrie, at MacComb's Dam, and Davis in the vicinity of Philadelphia. Good reports were from time to time received from both men, and both conducted themselves as they should, and as though intent on having a fair-and-square fight. The betting was not heavy previous to the fight. In this city Dunn was decidedly the favorite, while in Philadelphia Davis had the call. The affair has not elicited the public attention it otherwise would have done, because of the late exciting events of a national character, which of course absorbed all attention. Within a few days of the 16th inst., however, the day on which the fight was to take place, it began to be more talked about, and many sports, from New York and Philadelphia in particular, made preparations to be on hand to witness the mill, while many more, because of the disturbing elements connected with the more recent prize fights, arrests, etc., made up their minds to stay at home. The place of fighting had been kept comparatively quiet; nevertheless, on the evening of the 15th inst., the usual number of passengers on the late trains going to Port Jervis was largely added to by many of the leading boxers of the country, and others who love to see a mill. The journey thither, compared with the former on the same errand at or near the same place, was quiet and orderly, and, saving the joking, singing, laughing and general carrying on of the sports, nothing of moment occurred to mar "the harmony of the meeting." Our reporter was on hand in due time, and in the following record gives us the result of what he saw and heard:

On my arrival on Monday morning I stopped at the "Delaware House," and took rooms. The people were very much excited at the idea of a prize fight coming off in the vicinity of that place, but during the day, as the trains came into town, and the class of passengers brought in by them did not answer the description anticipated, the citizens became more at ease, and everything went as gaily as a marriage bell. The place of fighting was selected on Monday afternoon, in Metamora Township, Pike Co., Pa., on the road to Milford, Pa., about one mile and a half from Port Jervis and the Delaware River. On returning from the place selected, Dunn met Davis, and the two belligerents had a cordial greeting for each other, shaking hands and asking very kindly after each other's health. The meeting was altogether different from the ideas of the daily press, for it was gentlemanly, and a source of great pleasure to those who witnessed it, and all expressed the wish that the best man might win. The morning of the 16th was a splendid one—the sun rose full and clear, and all hands were on the move early, as it was announced that the men would be in the

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City Summary.

MONDAY, May 22, 1865.

"Why *should* the spirit of mortal be proud?" This beautiful and touching poetical conundrum, like the texts of our professionally pious brethren, is susceptible of a variety of solutions; but the sentiment itself is one of a sublime character, applicable in its bearing to all classes and phases of the human family. When Jeff Davis, at an early hour one morning in this beautiful month of May, hurriedly got into his wife's petticoats and other articles of female attire, he must have thus accoutred himself after revolving in his mind the elegant extract which heads our discourse for the current week. Of all men else, Jeff Davis was the last man we should suspect of throwing off his own toggery, and donning the delicate paraphernalia which goes to make up the charms and fascinations of the lovely sex; for was he not the representative man of the chivalry, the leading statesman of the Confederacy, and the *vox populi* of the South? We think we see him now, scooting along the green sward, with his skirts flying in the breeze like a flag of distress, with all sail set, and his high top boots showing against his spotless petticoats like a black flag against a clear sky. We have referred to the attempted escape of the "late lamented" because it is hinted that some of our showmen have proposed to exhibit Jefferson as he appeared on that auspicious occasion. An exhibition of this sort could be made very profitable, and the fund derived therefrom would go far towards alleviating the sufferings of those who have been left husbandless and fatherless through the starvation of their once protectors in the dens of the South, sanctioned by the "Pet of the Petticoats" and others of that chivalric class. If Jeff himself cannot be secured for public display, it is contemplated to exhibit the things he was caught in, including dress, hoop skirt, high boots, water fall, and jockey hat and feather. After this, let us repeat, "why *should* the spirit of mortal be proud?".....And yet Jeff is not the only fraud in business affairs, nor the first to swap clothes in a tight place. "History but repeats himself," as Mr. Seward once remarked, after he had got a terrible belting about the head which caused him great pain. Jack Sheppard made *his* escape once by means of his sweetheart's petticoats. In our own day, and that only a few years ago, a performer came before a New York audience under the name of Ella Zoyara, the great female rider; and yet Ella was, like Jeff., a fraud; "it" humbugged the people for awhile, but inquisitive boys discovered "its" real sex, and Ella came to grief. And that puts us in mind of another performer now showing at a place of amusement in this city. He is called the one-legged dancer, and the people suppose he has but one leg, whereas he has two as good pins as ever Jeff. Davis had, one of them being nicely tied up—just as the ex-President of the ex-Confederacy is tied up—and thus put out of sight, as Jeff. will probably be put out of sight once his trial is over.....Speaking of trials, the trial of the alleged assassins is creating much quietness and know nothingism among the knights of the sock and buskin who used to prate so loud of their sympathies with the South and their detestation of Northerners; even those female stars whose conduct and sentiments at the North bore out the charge against them that they trampled on the American flag in Southern theatres, etc., have nothing to say at present except in praise of the Union; their ideas have wonderfully changed since the North has proved its power and influence. We hear no more bar-room harangues against good Union people by Thespian rebels; we see no more dramatic tableaux deriding the American flag and bringing ridicule on its defenders; nothing of the sort now since it is proven that we still have a country—a country of freemen—and a government determined to ferret out traitors and punish assassins. J. Wilkes Booth would appear to have been almost a stranger in this city, since some of his once boon companions now deny having any knowledge of the man at all. It is well to lay out a line of retreat sometimes..... Referring to Booth, reminds us of something which may as well be dovetailed in here as anywhere. A few days since we met an Irish friend of ours who has been doing a bit of a job in Washington. Very naturally the subject of the assassination came up. "I seed it all," said our Hibernian friend, whose early education had not been so well attended to as the education of children of the present day. "Do you mean to say that you were at the theatre when the President was murdered?" "That's it. Hould on a bit, and I'll give yez the whole matther. I was sittin' paceably loike, when all of a suddint I heerd a phiz, and a bing bang forninst the Prisidint, and then a felley made a lep from the box, and, says he, '*Is sic, semd for McManus.*'"

About Legs.—Don't start, fasticious friend; to the pure all things are pure, and *honi soit qui mal y pense*, which, translated into language which everybody can understand, means "evil be to him who evil thinks." The legs we refer to belong to a performer at the Hippotheatron called "Don Manuel Donati, the one-legged dancer," and thereby hangs a tale. This one-legged dancer was announced in such a manner as to convey the impression that he is the original Donato (there being a difference of one letter only in the spelling of the name), who has created such a *furore* in Europe by his remarkable performances on one pin. The dancer at the Hippotheatron is not only not the great Donato, but he is not what he professes to be as a one-legged dancer, because he has *two* as sound pedals as any man need want, and in that consists the fraud. We went to see him the other night. Previous to his appearance in the ring, great preparations are made in the way of laying a stage for him; soon, amid a flourish of trumpets, he comes skipping along on one leg, with the left one ingeniously tied up in a portion of his clothing. We don't care so much about being humbugged ourselves, but we cannot be a party to the humbugging of the readers of the Clipper. Therefore, we say that Don Manuel Donati is not what the public is led to believe him to be. As we were the first to expose the Ella Zoyara fraud, so do we now lift the veil that hides the tied-up leg of the one-legged dancer, and show him in his true light—a performer with two legs, and a bad imitation of the original Donato, who is still in Europe.

The Hippotheatron comes in for a fair share of public patronage. The business last week was good, but the house was not crowded. The performances of the Hippotheatron company are very entertaining. The trapeze act of the Delevanti Brothers was one of the best acts we have seen for a fine time. The two-horse act by Batchelder would no doubt have been a good act had the rider kept on the horses' backs; but he would repeatedly fall off, and made many awkward mistakes at that. The trick horse Gen. Scott is a well-broke animal, and goes through the same routine of business of all trick horses. The *battoute* leaps, what there were, were good; but there was barely a sufficient number to make it interesting. Mr. Frank Carpenter rode a principal act for the purpose of introducing Mr. Croueste, an English clown. He is clever, but nothing more. He is of the same old stereotype style we have witnessed for years. He was original in very little he said, his jokes being as familiar to us as the young man who hands us our plate of hash every morning at Dutch Johnny's. He is young, apparently; good-looking, and makes a good appearance in the ring; but at times he speaks so fast that it is impossible to understand what he says. The pantomime of the "Elixir of Life" was produced under the direction of Mr. Lehman. It is well put in the ring, with new scenes, wardrobe, etc., and is well acted by the company, including Marietta Zanfretta. The pantomimes are all well done here, and reflect great credit upon Mr. James Nixon, under whose immediate direction they are produced. Of the one-legged dancer we have already spoken in another article in this department.

"The Grey Lady of Penarvon," a singularly thrilling drama, was produced at the Winter Garden on the 15th inst. It is in four acts, and was originally produced at the Ambigu Comique, Paris, Oct. 17th, 1863. It was then known as "L'Aieule" ("The Grandmother"), and was written by MM. Dennery and Charles Edmond. In 1864 it was translated and adapted to the English stage by Tom Taylor, and produced at the Olympic Theatre, London, Nov. 2d; it was then called "The Hidden Hand." Its origin may be traced to Bulwer Lytton's romance of "Lucretia." The scene of the play is laid in Wales, during the reign of James the Second, and the story opens at Penarvon Castle. Lord Penarvon, after an absence of ten years from his wife—which time has been spent at the Court of Charles the Second—returns, and, as a matter of course, is coldly received by his wife. He had been married twice; his first wife died, leaving behind a daughter grown up (Enid), and by his second wife he also has another daughter (Muriel), apparently of the same age as the first one. The daughter by the first wife, and his present wife, as well as the mother-in-law by the first wife (Lady Gryfidd), are the occupants of the castle at the opening of the scene. Lord Penarvon, not satisfied with estranging himself from his wife, takes his daughter Muriel away from her mother, and places her in a convent. With the return of Lord Penarvon comes Muriel. He sues to his wife for pardon, but is looked upon with disdain; finally the return of Muriel brings about a happy reconciliation. Muriel is in love with Caerleon, a nobleman who had at one time saved the life of Lady Penarvon, but by the order of the King, Caerleon is to marry Enid, the other daughter. Enid does not love the young man, but Lady Gryfidd, in order to see her daughter's child the favorite instead of Muriel, who she considers an interloper, rails out at every one, and sets her wits and arts to work to accomplish the overthrow of Muriel, in her rage becoming apparently paralysed. The sole object of the malicious "Grey Lady of Penarvon" is to gain the ancestral honors of Penarvon Castle for her daughter's child. The old woman appears to be perfectly helpless, and is moved about in an arm chair; but when Muriel is sleeping she administers poison in her drink, and for several days Muriel sinks from its effects. All attempts to discover how the poison is administered fail, and as Lady Penarvon is the only one who takes care of her, she is suspected of and charged by Lord Penarvon with the crime. In order to carry out her designs, Lady Gyfidd poisons the mind of Lord Penarvon with allusions to his wife's infidelity. In the third act Muriel lies sleeping in her bed with her mother dozing in her chair. The hideen hand then appears from behind a curtain and pours poison in the drink on the table for Muriel. Enid enters the room just in time to witness this and discovers it to be her grandmother, the Lady Gryfidd. Muriel wakes and calls for drink, Lady Penarvon also awakes, and is about giving the drink when Enid rushes forward, dashes the glass to the floor, and falls shrieking to the stage. In the fourth and last act Enid is charged with the knowledge of who the guilty party is, but positively refuses to denounce her grandmother; but advises Muriel to leave the Castle in order to save her life. Muriel is about going and a drink is laid on the table for her. Lady Gryfidd is then brought in and while seated at the table pours the poison in the drink, but is seen by Enid. As Muriel is about to depart, Lady Gryfidd requests Enid to hand the drink to Muriel, who refuses. The discovery is then made, and in order to save herself Lady Gryfidd takes a dose of poison and expires. This is the story. This piece has been placed upon the stage with great care, the scenery being new and beautiful. Each act occupies one set scene. The great sensation occurs at the close of the third act, where the hidden hand is discovered coming through the curtains and administering the poison. This is decidedly a sensational one, and at the fall of the curtain the audience was very enthusiastic, when the curtain was rang up on the scene. What little acting there is in the piece was cleverly done. Mrs. J. W. Wallack's Lady Gryfidd was a very clever *rendition* of that difficult *role*. Mr. Barton Hill appeared as Madoc Goch, an old Welsh shepherd, but the character was of no use whatever to the play, and it therefore afforded Mr. Hill no opportunity to display his talents. Miss Ada Clifton played Lady Penarvon exceedingly well and received what she duly merited, a fair share of applause. Miss Effie Germon as Enid, sang and acted with spirit and vivacity. We knew she had much of the comic element within her, but were agreeably surprised to find her playing a serious part with so much effect. As the youthful Muriel, Mrs. C. Walcot looked charming. She is a careful, painstaking actress, and is becoming quite a favorite at this establishment. Mr. Hanley played Lord Penarvon with great judgment and care.

Harry Hapgood, who has been the agent for Manager Lanergan's dramatic company, was in town last week. He is engaged to travel with Hough's tent exhibition of "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

Hi Rumsey, the well-known banjo performer, and Ethiopian delineator, is still suffering from the effects of paralysis, and cannot use his legs except to slowly drag one foot after the other with the aid of a cane. He is residing in Bond street, at present.

Mr. Charles Peters, who, it will be remembered, had one of his legs injured by being run over by one of the Third avenue cars, has recovered sufficiently to resume his business once more, and is engaged to appear in the new piece of "Arrah-na-Pogue," at Niblo's, which is to be produced the last week in June.

E. P. Hingston, dramatic agent, sailed in the steamship Manchester, on the 17th, for England. He has gone over to attend to business for Miss Avonia Jones, who will shortly follow him and play in London.

John E. Owens sails by the steamer of the 27th, for Europe, accompanied by his agent, Clifton W. Tayleure. Mr. Owens has an engagement of three months at the Adelphi Theatre, London, with the privilege of extending it as long as he will draw. Mr. John Sefton sails by the same steamer.

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The winter season at the Winter Garden closed on the 17th, by which some of the people have been left out in the summer air. The spring and summer season commenced on the following night.

Two "new and original" performers come before us this week at the Varieties, in the Bowery. One is called Mons. Morciczoni, one-legged dancer; the other is Signor Stefanio Ferino, "celebrated Italian dwarf." They have names better suited for Max Maretzek's Italian Opera Company than a Bowery establishment, but no doubt the boys will discover their merits, and properly appreciate them.....The Female Blondin" is another card at the Varieties, the dangerous style of her business making her quite an attraction in "New York by Day and Night."..... The Varieties gives a good show, comprising a little of all sorts, some of the performances being well done.

Miss Fanny Herring, who went back on the Yanks while in Canada, is the star at the Old Bowery. She is supported in some of her pieces by two dogs, Lafayette and Thunder, who perform their respective parts equally as well as the lady performs her's, and this is saying much in favor of the quadrupeds. The Old Bowery is doing a fair share of business, and Manager Fox enjoys his fast team accordingly.

Among the latest additions to Barnum's "wax figgers" is one of Jeff. Davis and them female clothes. The petticoats will stick to Jeff. as long as there is anything left of him to cling to..... Another fresh curiosity at the Museum is what is announced as the "Great American One-Legged Dancer." We would sooner see a two legged female dancer any day than a one-legged male dancer—it's a more pleasing sight, and far more entertaining. We don't know whether Barnum's dancer is of the tied-up stripe or otherwise; we shall probably go one eye on the one-legged man..... Of the legitimate attractions, Miss Emilie Melville makes her first appearance here to-night, in the drama of the "Heiress of the Hidden House." She is said to be beautiful and gifted—the first, if correct, will pass her, for beauty covers a multitude of imperfections.

What is announced as the "immense drama" of the "Mariner's Compass," now "in the full tide of success in London," is to be presented for the first time in this country to-night, May 22d, at the New Bowery, with Mr. E. Eddy in the principal character. To give full effect to the many points of the "Mariner's Compass," the piece will be produced with new scenery, machinery, and novel contrivances.....This is the third week of Mr. Eddy's engagement, and although coming before us when the city was still greatly excited by the national calamity, he has attracted very good audiences, for he is a most decided favorite on the east side of town.

Great is the "Sleeping Beauty in the Wood," and marvellous is the grand transformation which winds up this magnificent spectacle, now nightly filling the Olympic with delighted audiences. It's a big hit, and has taken the town by storm, as our veterans would say.....To-night, Miss Lucia Deane will make her *debut* as Kate O'Brien, in "Perfection." She is said to be a sister of Julia Dean Hayne, the popular actress. Miss Lucia sings as well as acts. We shall speak of the *debutante* in our next.

Geo. C. Boniface, the young tragedian, who has just completed an extensive traveling tour, arrived in this city on the 19th. There is some talk of Mr. B. showing at one of the Broadway Theatres next season. Young, good-looking, with a fine stage presence, and possessing dramatic talent of a high order, the gentleman would probably make a good acquisition to any company.

Wood's Minstrels are to give us an entirely new burlesque this evening, called "Greenbakina, or the Fairy Palace of Soap," written expressly for the company by Chas. Gayler. The scenery and scenic effects are of a costly character, embracing some of the most beautiful stage pictures ever presented to public view. Of one thing we are sure, that Manager Wood is the most liberal minstrel manager in the way of mounting his pieces that we have ever had among us; he has inaugurated a new era in minstrelsy, and although many of the gems of the old style of Ethiopian entertainments are retained by him, yet he has branched off into other channels, giving us the bright and beautiful as well as the dark side of burlesque. Frank Brower, Cool White, Purdy, Glenn, Henry, Converse, Mudge, Lockwood, etc., are in the cast of the new piece.

Finale.—After performing the part of Solon Shingle for one hundred and seventy times, during a continued engagement in this city, John Owens will close his performances at the Broadway on Friday evening, 26th inst., and sail on the following day for Europe. If John does not repeat Sothern's success in London, then "call us pet names" forever after. The success of Mr. Owens in New York is one of the most marked dramatic triumphs on record. If there are strangers here who have not seen Owens' Shingle, let them call at the Broadway on or before the 26th.

At one bound have the San Francisco Minstrels marched into the affections and so forth of the people, their unequalled minstrel entertainments attracting crowded audiences ever since the troupe opened here, and giving the greatest satisfaction to all who have attended Heller's Hall since the darks from the Pacific took possession. There is but one opinion concerning the merits of the San Francisco Minstrels, and that is, that they cannot be excelled by any troupe in existence.

Maggie Mitchell and her Cricket, although now in their fourth week, draw sufficiently well to warrant the management of Niblo's in running them until further notice. Maggie's Fanchon is a nice bit of acting, full of childlike simplicity, and a very natural hitching up of that old shoe run down at the heel.

Since the burning down of Hooley's hall in Brooklyn, some of the performers have been detailed to do duty in the Bowery, among them being Archy Hughes and J. H. Budworth, two very clever comedians. The Bowery, however, is not a good place to bring out the best points of a minstrel—in fact, the east siders do not take to minstrel entertainments as they do to theatrical performances. Fortunes have been lost in the vain endeavor to permanently locate a minstrel organization on the Bowery.

Lester Wallack's appearances have improved business at his theatre. The season is drawing to a close there.

Hope Chapel is an exhibition hall for performances of any kind. Managers who intend visiting this city and in want of a hall well located, should make a note of the advertisement in another column.

Miss Emilie Melville, known as the pet of the American stage, is now performing at Barnum's Museum, in this city. This lady can be engaged for six or more nights by addressing her agent as per advertisement in another column.

Mons. Morelci Navoni, a genuine one-legged dancer, is performing at the Varieties. We have not yet seen the gentleman in his movements, but we know that he has but one leg, and therefore he is not a fraud, so far as the leg question is concerned.

A Fire broke out in the carpenter shop attached to Niblo's Garden, on Sunday evening, 21st inst., but the theatre itself was not damaged; much of the wardrobe of the establishment was destroyed, but the loss is covered by insurance. There was considerable alarm in the Metropolitan Hotel during the fire, as the theatre is connected with that property. The performances at Niblo's will not be interrupted by the fire. There are, no doubt, a few more incendiaries belonging to the "detached service" prowling about the city. We have since understood that many of the costumes and properties in preparation for "Arrah Na Pogue" were destroyed.

Miss Provost is in this city, dangerously ill.

Mr. John Sivori continues giving instructions on the banjo, at his rooms in Broadway. He has also for sale Frank Converse's book on banjo playing, especially adapted for beginners. See advertisement.

Dramatic.

Charles R. Thorne, Jr., and his sister-in-law, Hattie Johnson, formerly of the Marsh Troupe, and widow of the late Thomas Thorne, arrived in San Francisco early in April from China. Charley Thorne remained in California, but Hattie Johnson left for New York, where she is at present. Charley does not give very flattering reports of the drama in China. He left the Marsh Troupe, Lawrence Browne, and Fayler in Hong Kong. Edwin Thorne and wife (Alicia Mandeville) are in Japan, fulfilling an engagement with a company of amateurs, receiving $400 a month for their professional services.

Those Dramatic Agents, Messrs. Jas. Conner & Co., still continue to do a thriving business, as is manifested by the number and importance of their advertisements in these columns. They refer to all sorts of people and subjects, and the profession generally should make a note of the same.

Shirley H. France will manage the stage department of the Boston Theatre for H. C. Jarrett next season.

The Dramatic Company from Pike's Opera House, Cincinnati, have possession of Ellsler's Athenæum, Columbus, Ohio, this week.

The Keans attracted good houses at Ford's Holliday Street Theatre, Baltimore, last week. They continue there this week, and were to appear on the 22d in "Richard the Second."

Lotta played Tartarine in the "Seven Sisters" last week, at the Front, Baltimore, and repeats the same character all this week at the same establishment.

Signor Bianchi inaugurated his Italian opera season on April 17th, at the Metropolitan Theatre, San Francisco, with "Lucia di Lammermoor." Sig. Elvira Brambilla made her *debut* as Lucia. The chorus comprised thirty-two male and female vocalists, and the orchestra numbered eighteen. Signora Bianchi made her *debut* on April 24th in Azucena.

Mr. Charles Wheatleigh took a farewell benefit at Maguire's Opera House, San Francisco, on April 17th, when Charles R. Thorne, Jr., appeared as Jacob McCloskey in the "Octoroon."

For the Varieties Theatre, New Orleans, talent is wanted for the season of 1865-66, both stock and star. Application should be made to Mr. W. B. Floyd, of Wallack's Theatre, as instructed in his advertisement in another column.

Mr. Thomas J. Hemphill, well known in Philadelphia as manager of the Old Arch Street Theatre, will manage the affairs of the Walnut, Philadelphia, next season.

Copies of a new drama are advertised for sale in this issue.

Chas. R. Thorne Sr. has resigned his position as stage manager of the Howard Athenæum, Boston, and is about to form a company to travel westward.

J. W. Lanergan will open the summer season at St. John, N. B., on or about the 8th of June. Mr. Lanergan's operations in that quarter are always awaited with interest by the patrons of the drama thereaway.

Grau's Italian Opera Troupe, from Chicago, has possession of Pike's Opera House, Cincinnati, this week.

Mrs. W. H. Leighton and Yankee Locke commenced an engagement at the Metropolitan Theatre, Indianapolis, on the 15th inst.

In Wilmington, N. C., theatricals have remained *in statu quo* —business dull, performances only fair, and money exceedingly scarce.....On Wednesday evening, May 3d, a performance was given by the United Service Dramatic Club, composed of officers of the Army and Navy stationed at Wilmington, who presented on that occasion Buckstone's popular domestic drama of "Luke the Laborer." Our correspondent "Emmette" says: "Some of the characters were well rendered, but to a portion of the members of the club but little praise can be given in respect to their dramatic talent. The Gipsey Mike of Mr. Harry LeMoyne, the Farmer Wakefield of Mr. Alfred Mayne, and the Bobby Trot of Mr. Charles Marston, were really creditably sustained, and should recive their due meed of praise. For the other characters the least said the better, some being oblivious of the text, and some not having the remotest idea of what they were attempting to represent. The club were assisted by the ladies of the regular dramatic company, to whom, in a great measure, the success of the piece was due. Miss Fannie Bailey as Clara, Miss Ida Morton as Jenny, and Mrs. John Davis as The Dame, were all good. Some very fine singing was given us upon the occasion, by members of the club, several of them possessing full and melodious voices. Quite a large audience was present; in fact, the largest for several weeks past, among whom were a goodly number of our fair townswomen, whose presence is quite a rarity.....On Monday, May 1st, Mr. John Davis appeared for the first time in his great character of Hamlet. It is the universal opinion among all who have witnessed Mr. Davis' rendition of the melancholy prince, that it is, beyond doubt, Mr. Davis' best part. By general request, it was repeated on the following Thursday. Mr D was creditably supported by Mr. Herbert as Laertes, Mr. Barnes as Horatio, Mr. Townsend as Polonius, Mr. Coleman as King Claudius, Miss Ida Morton as Ophelia, Mrs. J. Davis as the Queen, and Mr. C. G. Wallace (who had kindly volunteered) as the Ghost. On Friday, May 5th, Schiller's great play of the "Robbers" was produced—Mr. John C. Abbott making his first appearance as Charles DeMoor, with Mr. Davis as Francis, and Miss Ida Morton as Amelia. Mr. Abbott as Charles was decidedly original, decidedly indistinct, and decidedly shaky (not in the text, but in his person—his idea of the acme of tragic acting appearing to be shaking himself to pieces and taking rapid strides, accompanied by fierce gesticulations) .....Messrs. Jenkins and James have retired from the management of this theatre, and it is reopened to-night under the auspices of Mr. John Davis, leading man and stage manager, who, it is hoped, will conduct it more satisfactorily than did the late manager."

At Wood's Theatre, Chicago, during the past two weeks, the performances have been of a varied character, and embraced both legitimate and sensation dramas. The house has been well filled each night, and our correspondent "Argus" says: "The performances have given general satisfaction. On the evening of Friday, 12th, Shakespeare's tragedy of 'Romeo and Juliet' was produced to a large audience. Mr. Frank E. Aiken's personation of the love-sick Romeo was a masterpiece of acting. He was vociferously applauded. Mrs. L. B. Perrin, as the gentle Juliet, was really excellent. The other parts which are worthy of notice, were those of the Friar (Mr. A. D. Bradley), and the Nurse, by Mrs. Stoneall. It is doubtful if Mrs. Stoneall can be excelled in the country by any actress in this part. 'Fido, or Second Love' was produced on the 15th inst. It is a simple and touching drama, but deficient in really taking situations. The principal characters were well sustained by Mr. F. E. Aiken, Mr. John Dillon, Mrs. Perrin, Miss Howard and Mrs. Stoneall. The piece had a run of three nights. Since that time, 'She Stoops to Conquer' and 'Romeo and Juliet' have been on the bills."

At McVicker's Theatre, Chicago, Mr. L. P. Barrett is at present the leading star. This excellent artist is popular in Chicago, and the first week of his engagement, during which time "Rosedale" was produced, was very successful. Owing to the uncertain condition of the weather, the houses during the second week were not so well filled. He appeared in a variety of pieces during the second week—among them may be mentioned "The Marble Heart," "Money," and "Richelieu." Mr. Barrett gave a finished rendition of the old Cardinal, and was most rapturously applauded, especially in the fourth act. "Under the Palm," a dramatization of Tennyson's Enoch Arden, is in preparation.

At Grover's Theatre, Washington, a new and original allegorical tableau was produced at the close of the play of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," entitled "Uncle Tom's Vision of the Future." At the close of the sixth act, Uncle Tom is dying in the arms of his former master, George Shelby, who is imploring him to look up and speak to him, when Tom replies: "See! see! Massa George! Didn't I tell you? I knew de good Lord hadn't forgotten us; He has heard de prayers of us poor creeturs at last: He has sent us a Liberator; de clouds are rollin' away; de chains are broken, de land is freed;" at the conclusion of which the scene changes, and the Goddess of Liberty is seen in the centre holding the "Emancipation Proclamation;" on extreme right, a sailor in full dress; on extreme left, a soldier fully equipped, crouching at the feet of the Goddess; the slave-driver, with broken whip, is shown, together with a negro holding a severed chain—the whole forming a very interesting tableau.

Crosby's Opera House, Chicago, was to close on Saturday the 20th. The season has been short and very brilliant. Impressario Grau has redeemed in full all the promises made, and the Chicagoans have nothing to complain of. All the leading pieces have been given in a style such as has never been attempted in the west before.

Jennie Hight's two weeks' engagement at the Athenæum, Cairo, Ill., terminated on the 13th inst., and she was re-engaged for another week. On the 11th, for her benefit, she appeared in "St. Mary's Eve" and the protean farce of "Our Jeannie." On the 13th the "French Spy" was performed."

Wallack's Company play at the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, on the 8th, 9th and 10th of June.

The Wilmington (N. C.) Theatre, now open for the summer season under the management of Jno. Davis, is said to be one of the best paying institutions in the South. Mr. Frank Edwards, the accredited agent for this theatre, will treat with stars for six or twelve nights.

Natchez, Miss., Theatricals.—Our correspondent, "Nat Ormsby," sends us the following *resume* of business at the theatre in Natchez, up to May 7th, the date of his letters:—"The Viola Barrett Dramatic Combination on their opening performance at the theatre were greeted by an unusually full house, the *elite* and fashion of our city turning out *en masse*. As I informed you in my last letter, they were to open in Bulwer's Play of the 'Lady of Lyons,' with the following cast of characters:—Miss Viola Barrett as Pauline; Mrs. Isabella Preston as Madam Deschapelles; Miss Kate Wood as Widow Melnotte; Mr. Joseph Gobay as Claude Melnotte; Mr. Joe Barrett as Colonel Damas; Mr. Lew Morrison as Beauseant; Mr. A. H. Campbell as Glavis; and Mons. Deschapelles by Mr. J. Stratton. The characters were admirably sustained, and the audience seemed highly pleased with the performance. The 'Pas Fantastique' by the Wood sisters, Rose and Kate, completely turned the brains of the young bloods. After performing a very fatiguing 'pas,' they were called out a second time and compelled to repeat the same. The evening's entertainment concluded with the 'Swiss Swains,' the principal characters sustained by Messrs. Barrett and Campbell, and Miss Viola Barrett. During the piece Mrs. Barrett gave the people a touch of her singing qualities, at which they expressed their approbation by a hearty round of applause and a shower of boquets. On the 28th ult. (the second night), the performance commenced with the 'Serious Family,' all the company in the cast, followed by a ballad by Mr. J. Stratton—a very pleasing singer—concluding with the farce of 'Our Country Cousin,' (Rough Diamond). On the 29th they opened in the 'Factory Girl,' after which a sailor's hornpipe by the lively little *danseuse* and actress, Miss Kate Wood, and bringing the evening's entertainment to a close with 'Stage Struck.' Monday, May 1st, at the request of many citizens who were unable to attend the opening performance of the troupe, the 'Lady of Lyons' was repeated with the same cast of characters as on the first night, followed by a *polka vivandier*, by Miss Rose Wood, one of the most attractive *danseuses* that has ever had the pleasure of 'tripping the light fantastic toe' before the Natchez public. The *bust of Wood* draws equally as well as does the *bosom* of the Hudson.' How are you Leo? Concluding with 'State Secrets.' May 2d, 'Faint Heart never won Fair Lady' was put upon the boards for the opening piece, after which *pas seul* by the fascinating Rose, the evening's performance closing with the farces of 'A Kiss in the Dark' and 'The Limerick Boy,' Mr. Joe Barrett sustaining the character of Paddy Miles in the latter piece. On the 3d was presented the well-known nautical drama, 'Black Eyed Susan,' after which we were allowed the pleasure of again seeing the smiling face of Miss Rose Wood, in a grand *pas seul*. 'Handy Andy' closed the night's performance. On the 4th, 'The Serious Family,' ballad, by Mr. Stratton, and the ever welcome 'Toodles' were presented to a large and delighted audience. May 5th, 'The Stranger,' *pas de deux* by Rose and Kate Wood, and ending the evening's entertainment with 'Toodles.' On May 6th they opened with 'Lucretia Borgia' and concluded with the 'Irish Tutor,' Barrett as Dr. O'Toole. The party during their stay have been greeted nightly by very fair houses, indeed, and would meet with the same success were Joe Barrett (the manager), to establish a permanent theatre. *Try it on Mr. B., and see if you can't manage the show.* As to criticising the performances, &c., that is entirely out of the question. Although not the best party the country affords, in every respect, nevertheless they give entire satisfaction, and are by far superior to any company that has occupied the boards of our theatre. Mr. Gobay is a very good leading man, but rather small in stature. A. H. Campbell, comedian, is also well up in his business. As regards Mr. and Miss Barrett, they are sufficiently well-known to the public as to render any remarks from me unnecessary; suffice it to say, they are always good in anything they undertake, either in or out of their regular line of characters. Mrs. Isabella Preston, the Misses Wood, and the remaining male members of the company are all that could be desired. I shall notice them more fully in my next letter..... Monday, May 8th, Miss Viola Barrett (Crocker), takes a benefit, playing 'Camille.'"

M'lle. Marietta Ravel has met with unexpected success, it appears, at Glenn's Theatre, Norfolk, Va. Referring to her performance in the "French Spy," the Norfolk *Daily Bulletin* of the 18th inst., says:—"On Thursday night that beautiful drama of the 'French Spy' was performed to one of the most fashionable audiences that were ever congregated at this theatre. This great gathering was for the purpose of witnessing M'lle. Marietta Ravel in the part she took in this interesting play. When the curtain rose, every eye was strained to its utmost capacity, every voice was silent as the tomb, waiting the advent of this great and wonderful lady. When she made her appearance there was such a burst of exultation that was never heard in the walls of this time-honored place. The French Spy by this lady was the most finished piece of acting that was ever seen in this city. Her gestures were dignified and graceful, and every feature of her beautiful form always met with a response of the wildest applause. That feat of the broad sword combat was a scene for a painter to study—it was grand—it was splendid. She seemed to be endowed with Herculean power—for we did not think that one so tender, and so young, could contend so long, in the difficult art of the broad sword exercise, with one of the sterner sex. Every scene in which she appeared was rendered interesting and splendid. This graceful, accomplished and beautiful lady is a gem that will sparkle in any sphere, and will illuminate and captivate any species of nature that have a soul. Those who have not seen her have missed a sight which they never can behold. The like of this lady we shall never look upon again—and when she leaves the shores of the Old Dominion she will leave a lasting recollection of herself. To-night the 'French Spy' is to be repeated. This will give a chance for all those who had not an opportunity of seeing it on its first representation. Go, everybody, by all means, and see the French Spy by M'lle. Marietta Ravel, for she performs the part to that admiration which wins for her a renown that is world-wide."

An opportunity is offered to any young lady who has had some experience on the stage, to learn the equestrian business and travel. For particulars see advertisement in this week's issue of the Clipper, signed Maseppa.

"The Naiad Queen" was produced at Glenn's Opera House, Norfolk, Va., on the 15th inst. C. B. Bishop appeared as Schnapps, and Hernandez Foster as Amphibio. Marietta Ravel was re-engaged expressly for the piece.

Madame Scheller and Mr. Pope opened to a good house at the Cleveland Academy of Music, on the 15th, with "Hamlet." The press praises the performances of these *artistes* highly. They created a sensation in "The Dead Heart." Mr. Chas. Pope as Robert Landry, and Mme. Scheller as Catharine Duval. It is said by many admirers of the drama, that Pope excels Edwin Adams in this part. Mme. Scheller played Catharine with unusual force and energy. On the 22d they produced "Enoch Arden" (Marguerittes version.) On May 29th, they open at Wood's Theatre, Cincinnati.

The Metropolitan Theatre, Rochester, N. Y., opens for the summer season on the 29th inst., under the management of Erwin and Raymond. Stars wanting nights will address Frank Edwards, agent, as instructed in an advertisement elsewhere.

Miss Fanny B. Price closed her engagement at Evansville, Ind., on the 19th. She was announced to commence an engagement of two weeks at the National, Cincinnati, on the 22d.

Mrs. Emma Waller closed her engagement at the Griswold Opera House, Troy, on the 17th inst. On the 15th she appeared as Meg Merrillies in "Guy Mannering," on the 18th as the Dutchess of Malfi, and on the 19th as Joan of Arc. Our correspondent "Mose" says:—"Throughout her stay here she was admirably supported by the stock company. On the 18th, 'Tom Cringle or Mat of the Iron Hand' was presented, with Mr. E. T. Stetson as Tom Cringle, Mr. Warwick as Mat of the Iron Hand, G. C. Davenport as Jack, Mrs. E. T. Stetson as Elizabeth, and Miss Chippendale as Fanny. The piece was played before a very small audience. On the 19th, 'Nick of the Woods' and the burletta of 'Jenny Lind' were to be presented.....Mr. Harry Leslie, the American Blondin, walked the tight rope stretched across the street from the Griswold roof to Harmony Hall roof, on the 13th inst., before an immense concourse of people. He crosses Niagara Falls, on June 15th..... The company attached to the Griswold Opera House have tendered to their manager, Mr. Wm. D. Van Arnum, a testimonial benefit, which takes place on May 20th. Mr. Van Arnum has paid considerable attention to the desires and tastes of the theatre going public, and done everything it was possible to do, to please his patrons. He has presented a succession of novelties on the stage, and has given our citizens an opportunity of witnessing some of the leading stars of the day."

The New Richmond (Va.) Theatre is now open under the management of R. O'Orsay Ogden. Stars treated with at all times by Frank Edwards, the business agent for the manager.

Emily Thorne commenced an engagement at the New Memphis Theatre on the 8th inst. On the 10th, she appeared as Paul in "The Pet of the Petticoats," and Gertrude in "Loan of a Lover."

At Macon, Geo., Samuel Hubbard, of Savannah, is running the theatre. Admission—Confederate stuff, $20; silver, 50 cents; greenbacks, one dollar.

Mrs F. A. Tannyhill was the recipient of a benefit at the New Memphis Theatre on the 6th inst. She played Elly O'Connor in the "Colleen Bawn." A correspondent says, "the *beneficiaire* was presented with a gold watch and chain."

When the Wallack-Davenport Combination opened at the Chestnut, Philadelphia, on the 15th inst., Miss Rose Eytinge, who was cast the part of Mrs. Sternhold, in "Still Waters Run Deep," did not appear, and Miss Cappell was called upon to read the part. Miss Alice Placide has since appeared in place of Miss Eytinge.

First Class Talent is wanted at all times by Frank Edwards, the dramatic agent.

Amusements in Washington have been largely patronised since our last, partially owing to the constant arrival of our war-worn veterans, many of whom have not been inside of a theatre since their first enlistment. At Grover's Theatre, "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was produced on the 11th inst., and notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the house was crowded; the piece has drawn largely every night since. Our correspondent says:—"The

the company in that capacity in California, in toe fall of '58, and who took them on a successful tour round the world, cannot fail to alway meet with success."

JAMES' TABLEAUX OF THE WAR is advertised as for sale cheap for cash, in another part of this paper.

CAPTAIN HASKELL'S MAMMOTH SHOW was exhibiting at Des Moines, on May 10th. This concern is one of the largest traveling west and is doing a big business.

MERRIAM'S TABLEAU PAINTINGS and Dissolving Views of Scriptural History are showing in Wisconsin.

JOE BLAKELEE, the veteran bill poster, is helping Sam Pond through his trouble. This duet were posting Dupree & Greed's Minstrels, in Springfield, Ill., on the 9th, while Waldron, "the Napolean of agents," was hulling the old Allegheanians.

THE ARIONS, a new quartette troupe, organized this season and composed of J. B. Beardslee, first tenor; N. C. Stewart, second tenor; R. E. Hennings, first basso; and H. L. Grebe, second basso; are concertizing through Ohio. They were at Ashton's Hall, Lima, O., Tuesday evening, May 16th.

THE CONTINENTALS, (not the old ones, but a new company,) were at Delphia, Ind., last week. A correspondent says, "many thought we were to have the 'old Continentals,' but were awfully disappointed."

THE MONITOR BOHEMIAN GLASS BLOWERS, under the management of Prof. Milligan, on their arrival at New Orleans from Matanzas, came up the Mississippi River, doing a fine business. They closed a three weeks run at Concert Hall, Springfield, Ill., May 10th; this week they are at Decatur and Jacksonville.

N. B. CRESLER gave his Patriotic Dramatic Readings and Gymnastic Entertainment at Phoenix Hall, Bloomington, Ill., Tuesday evening, May 9th, to a full house.

SINCE THE NEW election for Mayor, the license in Bloomington, Ill., has been raised to $10 and $15 per night. This is a rude mistake, as ball entertainments will now surely pass through the town. We are sorry for the hall proprietor there, for he has a fine place for troupes (Royce Hall), but with such an exorbitant tax his fine hall will be a dead letter. The citizens of Bloomington should in some way turn this "dough faced license maker" out of office.

W. D. STOREY, Charlie Straight and Ned Straight have left the Nashville Opera House and joined Holland and Maddern's Coliseum, which started from Delavan, Wis., on the 3d inst., with the following company: George Maddern, Jack Holland, John Holland, Masters George and Eddie Holland, M'lle Gertrude, Joe Kanan, Master Emmet, Herr Field, Si. Colletti, Julius Merritz, C. Myers etc. The route for this show is Ripon, Wis., 22d; Brandon, 23d; Markson, 24th; Fox Lake, 25th, and on through the La Crosse Valley. S. S. Babcock is treasurer, Chet Phillips, agent, and Henry Buckley has the side-show.

WE ARE PAINED to record the death of Pliny Miles, the well-known lecturer, showman and *literateur*, who expired at Malta, last month, from heart disease—a malady to which he has been subject the past ten years. Pliny Miles was born in Massachusetts, where his parents now reside, and came to this city thirty years ago—a green, uneducated, country lad, naturally smart withal. The first we hear of him, he is engaged by Banvard, with his "Panorama of the Mississippi," as lecturer, agent and manager, traveling throughout the United States. Being possessed of a wonderful memory, he acquired an education which was more prolific than any college could produce, and, being tired of the profession he was engaged in, he devoted himself to literary pursuits. He published a work on Iceland, and for years has been the author of the celebrated "Communipaw" letters in the *Boston Post*, and at his death was the *Herald's* correspondent in London. Peace to his ashes.

WYMAN, the ventriloquist, opened at Odd Fellows' Hall, Washington, on the 16th inst., for a brief stay.

PROFESSOR O. W. FOWLER, while lecturing in Dundas on May 12th, made use of the following language: "I, O. W. Fowler, am an out-and-out Northern man, and if there was one drop of blood in my veins that was in favor of secession or slavery, I would let it out, if I could find where it is." This is worthy of being recorded, when we take into consideration that Dundas is one of the most secession-upholding towns in Canada West.

AT GROVER'S THEATRE, Washington, for Sunday evening, May 21st, a sacred concert was announced, on which occasion the following artistes from Grover's German Opera were to appear:—M. Theodore Habelman, tenor; M'lle Narbell, pianist; M'lle Pauline Cannissa, soprano; M. Heinrich Steinecke, baritone, and Mr. Neuendorff, conductor.

WYMAN, magician, is delighting everybody at Odd Fellows' Hall, Washington; he announces to show until further notice, which is a good indication that he means to stop some time.

THE NEW YORK JEWELER'S ASSOCIATION announce three concerts to be given on June 1st, 2d and 3d, at Odd Fellows' Hall, Washington. Being unable to procure a suitable store in order to distribute presents, Seaton Hall has been engaged for that purpose. Among the talent engaged to appear, we find the names of Mrs. Mozart, Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Fisk, Messrs. Simpson, Peering, Geary, Thomas and others.

JOHN W. WHISTON THE HUMORIST —We see by our exchanges that the above popular performer is still on his Eastern course. The Bath (Me.) *Sentinel* of the 16th speaks as follows:—"This truly eccentric personage, gave his original and laughter provoking entertainment at Columbian Hall last evening, and although our citizens had already formed a high opinion of his powers, he exceeded their expectations. We have never seen a performer before who had the power of keeping his audience convulsed with laughter for two hours on a stretch. His 'Country Cousin,' and 'Western Court Scene,' where he impersonates some eight or ten characters, are alone worth the price of a ticket." He appears shortly in the cities of Hollowell, Augusta and Gardner, Me.

A PROFESSOR styling himself "Escamoteur Filebrown" holds forth at Rand's Hall, Troy, on the 24th inst., and will give a series of entertainments consisting of strange manifestations and startling wonders.

BRUCE & CO.'S GIFT SHOW was at Waverly, N. Y., on the 15th and 16th inst., but found the town anything but a place for a showman. The Show next appeared at Owego, for two days; thence to Binghampton, for the balance of the week. The route ahead is Cortland, N. Y., 22d and 23d; Homer, 24th and 25th; Syracuse, 26th and 27th; and so on to this city.

PROF. ANDERSON, JR., and M. John Denier have consolidated, and are now traveling together. On the 17th and 18th they were at Towar's Hall, Lyons, N. Y., and opened at Syracuse on the 19th for four days

CHARLEY SHAY'S QUINCUPLEXAL TROUPE opened at City Hall, Providence, R. I., on May 18th, for three nights, and notwithstanding Wheeler's International Circus performed the same night, the Quincuplexals had a good house. The New York Champs Elysees Circus and Buckley's Minstrels were also advertised at the same time. The company was to go from Providence to Newport, R. I.; Fall River, Mass.; New Bedford, Taunton, Foxboro, Charlestown, Lynn, Salem, Gloucester, and so on down East.

THE WINONA OPERA AND GLEE CLUB is the title of a new organization started in Philadelphia. It has commenced under favorable auspices, and promises to be, says a correspondent, one of the leading amateur clubs in that city. It is composed of the following gentlemen: Joseph Hutchingson, tenor; Wm. B. Stevenson, basso; Daniel McCoy, second tenor; H. Stevens, falsetto; Edward S. Kelly, balladist; Gus. Roberts, basso, and A. L. Evans, baritone.

MESSRS. GEORGE E. WILSON and John Murray have fitted up Norembega Hall, Bangor, Me., for theatrical performances, and have stocked the place with scenery and everything necessary for dramatic representations. The company consists of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hamilton, Mrs. Lizzie M. Holmes, Laura Mora, Annie Spear, Mrs. Berwick, Emma and Ellen Howard, T. M. Tyrrell, G. E. Wilson, John Murray, J. M. Dean, W. H. Otis, Geo. A. Sinclair, John L. Sanford, J. W. Percival and Mr. Clayton. Master Forrest, now with this company, only 13 years of age, promises, it is said, to be the wonder of the American stage. Stars will be treated with during the entire summer, and vacancies are open for stock engagements for next season. On the 17th the "Colleen Bawn" was produced.....Mr. Joseph Proctor commences on the 24th for two weeks

MUSIC PARTIES wanting a double bass player, violoncello or second violin, are referred to Mr. Walsh's advertisement.

HALL & HAYWARD'S CONCERT TROUPE gave an entertainment in Armory Hall, Murphys, Cal., April 6th, for the benefit of their agent, Frank Ball. Bonfires were kindled, bells rang and guns fired on the occasion. A large house greeted the company, and Ball, who was formerly a resident of Murphys, made his first appearance in a year, and sang his parody on "The Blind Boy," which was loudly encored.

THE VOCAL & INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT TROUPE, under the direction of Rhodolph Hall & Wm. Hayward, were at Mok. Hill, Cal., April 10th, West Point 11th, Volcano 12th, Jackson 13th, Sutter Creek 14th and Dryton 15th. One dollar was the admission, and the company are said to be doing a splendid business.

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BOB BUTLER—one of the best pantomimists and farce actors in the business—and Amelia Wells, join the Pastor party at Boston.

THE TWILIGHT HARMONISTS, consisting of a number of vocalists, are prepared to negotiate with parties for concerts on reasonable terms. For particulars, see Frank Edwards' advertisement in another column.

HELLER had a good reception last week at the Melodeon, Boston. His *artes de magique* are much liked, but his piano playing is said to be the feature of his entertainments. He continues in Boston for the present.

Foreign Dramatic and Show News.

MISS MARRIOTT has appeared as Hamlet at Astley's Theatre, London.

LOUISA PYNE and W. Harrison were announced to commence an engagement at Astley's, London, on the 8th inst.

MAD. CELESTE made her re-appearance at the Victoria, London, on May 1st, in the "Woman in Red." The *Era* says:—"The hearty welcome that came spontaneously from every part of the house was an unmistakable assurance of the continued regard the public felt for one to whom they had been so long indebted for many evenings' intellectual gratification, and as if stimulated by the enthusiasm of her admirers, the actress put forth all her powers, and played with a force which gave the utmost effect to the character."

THE NELSON SISTERS were at Bristol, Eng., May 1st.

"LOVE'S ORDEAL; OR, THE OLD AND NEW REGIME," is the title of a new five act play by Edmund Falconer, produced at the Drury Lane Theatre, London, on May 3d, and it is said to have been a success.

"THE TICKET OF LEAVE MAN" was revived at the Olympic, London, on May 4th.

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Aside from the youthful prodigy, an unexampled bill, replete with mirth, music, ballet, burlesque, &c., will be presented.
El Nino Eddie's engagement is a brief one, and we advise those who wish to see the youthful rival of the great Blondin to lose no time in doing so.
From the Enquirer.
The redoubted Sam Patch is said to have declared that "some things can be done as well as others," but no one who was not present at the Varieties last night can conceive the wonders that were exhibited by the boy prodigy, El Nino Eddie, upon the tight-rope and wire. He has been denominated the juvenile Blondin. He is more, much more, for the French rope-dancer never attempted feats which the youthful Eddie accomplishes with apparent ease. He will perform again this evening, and he alone, independent of the additional attraction of the most complete variety troupe in the country, should crowd the house.
From an Eastern Exchange.
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF EL NINO EDDIE.—Little Eddie Rivers, who has been given the *soubriquet* of "El Nino Eddie," and who has achieved such vast and well-merited popularity as a juvenile performer on the tight-rope and wire, is the son of Mr. Richard Rivers, and was born in New York in 1855—he is, consequently, in the tenth year of his age. In early childhood he exhibited a remarkable aptitude for gymnastic and acrobatic exercises, and gave promise of the excellence he has now achieved. Little Eddie made his first appearance as a professional rope-dancer in Havana, in 1863, with Chiarini's Circus, where he created the most extraordinary *furore* and received the appellation of "El Nino." For a child of such tender years to accomplish all the perilously daring feats of a Blondin, a Leon Javelli, or any of the great matured artists that have astonished the world, it is as truly wonderful as it is incomprehensible to professionals and the public who witness his extraordinary feats, daring, and graceful agility—feats that would blanch the cheek of the strongest nerve, but which he executes with smiling face, apparently unconscious of danger, and with the utmost *sang froid* and self-reliance. For instance, after exhibiting other graceful feats, he ascends on a single wire from the stage to the gallery of a theatre, over the heads of an audience, with apparently as much ease and confidence as if walking on *terra firma*. Even more perilously difficult is the descent on such a frail support, but this he accomplishes with the same ease, lying down on his back midway, as if at rest on a couch in place of a simple wire, rising again with the most perfect aplomb, and pursuing his perilous course amid the breathless attention of the spectators. He next undertakes a feat truly thrilling to contemplate, viz., being blindfolded, and a sack placed over his head, he repeats the ascension and return journey on the same wire as before, whilst a death-like stillness prevails among the audience, wakened only by peals of enthusiastic applause when he is once more safely landed on *terra firma*. As a tight-rope dancer he equals the greatest and excels the majority of the most renowned artists that have been seen in this or any other country, exhibiting the same grace that Herr Cline did in his youthful days, and the same classicality and transformatory powers that Gabriel Ravel was wont formerly to display. Nor do the accomplishments of "El Nino" end here, for he is a most graceful and dashing equestrian, and one of the best and most amusing stilt performers in the country. In fact, this wonderful boy is brim full of talent, and exhibits a marked genius for every department of his profession. Should health and maturity of years be given him, there is no doubt but that he will become the most renowned artist in his line that the world of amusement has yet seen. He has recently been creating the greatest excitement in Washington and Baltimore.
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